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LAKESHORE SCHOOLS

Virus closes elementary school for 2 days

Stewart teacher tests positive; 20 students and 11 staffers under quarantine

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — Lakeshore's Stewart Elementary School had to close down for Monday and Tuesday this week due to a teacher testing positive for COVID-19.

In a letter to parents over the weekend, Superintendent Phil Freeman said the 20 students and 11 staff members who had close contact with the teacher have been notified and asked to quarantine by the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD).

The 11 staffers represent about 27 percent of the school workforce.

Freeman said the district will use the two days closed to find substitutes and/or develop an option to have quarantined teachers instruct remotely from home. Plans will be shared with families on Tuesday.

While the building is closed, custodial staff will deep clean and disinfect all areas of the school.

The BCHD at this time has not recommended a move to remote learning.

"We apologize in advance for the inconvenience this causes. We are thankful to our students, parents and community who have embraced the safety measures that allowed us to maintain in-person learning over the past few weeks. We are committed to doing all we can to continue to support this option," Freeman said.

In addition, the two COVID-19 cases at Lakeshore High School reported earlier this school year were classified as an outbreak Monday by the BCHD and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

An outbreak occurs when a school has two or more positive COVID-19 cases that were close contacts through the school community, but were not close contacts outside of school.

No other schools in Berrien, Cass or Van Buren counties were reported as having outbreaks by the state on Monday.

For more information about Lakeshore Public School's COVID-19 response, visit www.lakeshoreschools.k12.mi.us.

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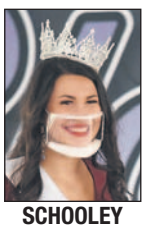
Miss Berrien Springs Faith Kittleson is crowned Miss Blossomtime on Saturday at the Golf Club at Harbor Shores. To her left is Miss St. Joseph Gabrielle Dilley, and to the right is Miss Bridgman Rachel Scharnowske.

Keeping the Faith

Berrien Springs' Faith Kittleson named Miss Blossomtime

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer



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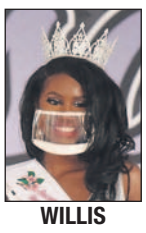

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BENTON HARBOR — It was a Blossomtime pageant like no other Saturday, when Miss Berrien Springs Faith Kittleson was crowned as 2020 Miss Blossomtime.

"It feels amazing to have closure," Kittleson said when she was announced as one of the six finalists.

She said that if she was named Miss Blossomtime, she wanted to inspire children.

"I think reaching them is the most important," she

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From left, Miss Cassopolis Tristin Gless, Miss Stevensville Alyssa Steinke and Miss Buchanan Jade Smith perform an opening number during the 2020 Miss Blossomtime pageant.

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Benton Harbor's Jeremiah Sterling Jr. acknowledges the crowd after being crowned the 2020 Mr. Blossomtime on Saturday at The Golf Club at Harbor Shores.

BH's Jeremiah Sterling Jr. named Mr. Blossomtime

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

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WILLIAMS

BENTON HARBOR — Mr. Benton Harbor Jeremiah Sterling Jr. was crowned Mr. Blossomtime 2020 Saturday during the Blossomtime Pageant that almost didn't happen.

"I feel honored," he said after winning, with his smile beaming through the clear face mask he was wearing. "All I can do is thank God for the opportunity."

Sterling, a Benton Harbor High School graduate, is the son of Ambie Bell and Jeremiah Sterling of Benton Harbor. He was crowned by the 2019 winner, Sincere Taylor of Coloma, who is studying underwater welding in Seattle, Wash.

The pageant was postponed in March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Blossomtime President Anna Abdelnour said that the Blossomtime organization put Saturday's pageant together in less than three weeks when officials decided that the young contestants deserved it.

"2020 has been challenging for everyone, and our pageant will present itself differently than years past," she said. "But the heart of the festival continues to beat strongly for the young

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Taking action on trash

BH woman recently presented with the Heart of the City for cleaning efforts

Q&A

BONNIE YOUNG

BENTON HARBOR — Bonnie Young of Benton Harbor says she's not one to sit around and complain. Instead, she takes action.

So when she moved into her house on Colfax Avenue in 1995 and saw trash in front of it, she decided not only to clean it up, but to pick up the trash on both sides of the street for almost half a mile.

And she's been cleaning Colfax between May Street and Empire Avenue for more than two decades.

"I'm always trying to find a solution for the betterment of our community," she said. "I hate to see something that needs to be fixed that's not fixed."

Her efforts were recognized recently by Mayor Marcus Muhammad and the city commissioners when they presented her with the Heart of the City during a virtual city commission meeting.

Young said she was unable to attend the meeting, but she was still touched by the award.

"It just fills my heart with joy when I think about it," she said.

She said this wasn't the first time city commissioners recognized her for cleaning up Colfax Avenue. She said that in 2007, then-Commissioner Eddie Marshall presented her with a certificate of appreciation.

Besides working in security in Kalamazoo, she said she keeps busy with her husband, three grown children and grandson, who all live in Southwest Michigan.

Young, who declined to give her age, said she has

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Bonnie Young was recently honored by the Benton Harbor City Commission with a Heart of the City for her work keeping Colfax Avenue clean for more than 20 years.

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Trump, Biden prepare to debate at a time of mounting crises

By JONATHAN LEMIRE and JILL COLVIN
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — In an election year like no other, the first debate between President Donald Trump and his Democratic challenger, Joe Biden, could be a pivotal moment in a race that has remained stubbornly unchanged in the face of historic tumult.

The Tuesday night debate will offer a massive platform for Trump and Biden to outline their starkly different visions for a country facing multiple crises, including racial justice protests and a pandemic that has killed more than 200,000 Americans and cost millions of jobs.

The health emergency has upended the usual trappings of a presidential campaign, lending heightened importance to the debate. But amid intense political polarization, comparatively few undecided voters remain, raising questions as to how, or if, the debate might shape a race that has been defined by its bitterness and, at least so far, its stability.

Biden will step onto the Cleveland stage holding leads in the polls – significant in the national surveys, closer in the battleground states – but facing questions about his turn in the spotlight, particularly considering Trump's withering attacks. And Trump, with only 35 days to change the course of the race, will have arguably his best chance to try to reframe the campaign as a choice election and not a referendum over his handling of a virus that has killed more people in America than any other nation.

"This will be the first moment in four years that someone will walk on stage as coequal to Trump and be able to hold him to account for the malfeasance he has shown leading the country," said Steve Schmidt, senior campaign aide for John McCain's 2008 Republican presidential bid and a frequent Trump critic. "If Biden is unable to indict Trump for all that he has done, (that) would be profound failure. There is no spinning that away."

The president's handling of the coronavirus will likely dominate much of the discussion. The pandemic's force will be tangible as the candidates' podiums will be spaced far apart and the traditional opening handshake scrapped.

Ethics experts see national security concern in Trump's debt

By AAMER MADHANI and DEB RIECHMANN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Revelations that President Donald Trump is personally liable for more than $400 million in debt are casting a shadow over his presidency that ethics experts say raises national security concerns he could be manipulated to sway U.S. policy by organizations or individuals he's indebted to.

New scrutiny of Trump, who claims great success as a private businessman, comes after The New York Times reported that tax records show he is personally carrying a staggering amount of debt – including more than $300 million in loans that will come due in the next four years.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., was blunt about the potential implications. "He may be vulnerable to financial blackmail from a hostile foreign power and God knows what else," said Warren, a frequent Trump critic.

The Times said the tax records also show that Trump did not pay any federal income taxes in 11 years between 2000 and 2018, raising questions about the fairness of a president – who purports to be a billionaire – paying less in taxes than most Americans.

The politically damaging revelations about Trump's tax avoidance, however, are perhaps less concerning than word the president is holding hundreds of millions of dollars of soon-to-mature debt, ethics experts said.

"Americans should be concerned about the president's debt because it's a national security risk for our country," said Donald Sherman, deputy director of the nonprofit government watchdog group Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW). "This is information that the president has aggressively and repeatedly tried to keep away from the public."

LOTTERIES

Monday drawings

Michigan
Poker Lotto
JD-AH-AS-2C-8S
Midday Daily 3
1-8-4
Midday Daily 4
0-7-6-7
Daily 3
1-5-2
Daily 4
8-2-4-6
Fantasy 5
04-14-16-20-21
Keno
01-02-05-06-09-11-14-16-18-25-31-36-40-41-56-67-69-70-71-74-75-78
Mega Millions jackpot
$34 million
Powerball jackpot
$32 million

Sunday drawings

Indiana
Cash 5
07-11-15-24-40
Cash4Life
04-06-09-50-59, Cash Ball: 2
Quick Draw Midday
02-04-17-21-22-23-27-29-38-44-48-49-51-59-63-67-68-70-72-77, BE: 44
Daily Three-Midday
5-3-3, SB: 7
Daily Three-Evening
3-0-4, SB: 5
Daily Four-Midday
1-7-0-3, SB: 7
Daily Four-Evening
3-5-1-1, SB: 5
Quick Draw Evening
02-11-12-17-18-23-24-27-34-38-40-46-55-60-62-71-72-73-75-77, BE: 2

Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
02-07-14-26-33
Pick Three-Midday
6-2-7, Fireball: 6
Pick Three-Evening
1-7-8, Fireball: 1
Pick Four-Midday
3-1-5-8, Fireball: 2
Pick Four-Evening
1-9-7-7, Fireball: 0
Lucky Day Lotto
03-36-40-42-43

– The Associated Press

Feds to ship millions of tests in bid to reopen K-12 schools

By MATTHEW PERRONE and KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump announced Monday that the federal government will begin distributing millions of rapid coronavirus tests to states this week and urged governors to use them to reopen schools for students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The move to vastly expand U.S. testing comes as confirmed new COVID-19 cases remain elevated at more than 40,000 per day and experts warn of a likely surge in infections during the colder months ahead. It also comes just five weeks before the November election, with Trump facing continued criticism for his handling of the crisis.

The tests will go out to states based on their population and can be used as governors see fit, but the Trump administration is encouraging states to place a priority on schools. White House officials said at a Rose Garden event that 6.5 million tests will go out this week and that a total of 100 million tests will be distributed to governors over the next several weeks.

Officials said the administration is emphasizing testing in schools because it's important to the physical, social and emotional development of students to be back in classrooms to the degree that's possible. The Abbott Laboratories tests would allow parents to know whether their symptomatic child has COVID-19. In some cases, states could undertake some baseline surveillance, like testing a proportion of students per week or per month to make sure that the incidence of COVID-19 is low.

"You have too many states that are locked down right now," Trump said. "The governors are ... nobody knows what the governors are doing actually."

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ST. JOSEPH

No decision yet on Vine Street parking issue

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Residents have two more weeks to express their views regarding parking and rubbish containers along Vine Street between Park and Elm streets in St. Joseph.

The city commission was expected to act Monday on a recommendation from city staff to designate both sides of Vine between Park and Elm as "no parking" and to direct the city department of public works to place appropriate signage the week of Nov. 9.

But after hearing from two residents who live on Lions Park Drive and park on Vine Street, saying they never were contacted by city staff about the matter, the commission agreed with a suggestion by Commissioner Jeff Richards to delay action for two weeks.

Mayor Mike Garey supported the delay, although he noted that a public safety issue is involved.

"One of my sole responsibilities is public safety," the mayor said. "But we pride ourselves on communication, honesty and transparency with our residents."

Garey noted, too, that city staff has been working hard on the issue and he commended their efforts.

Public Safety Director Steve Neubecker brought the matter to the city commission May 18 and said staff recommends a parking ban on Vine Street between Park and Elm. Vine Street is technically an alley, and is the only access for the properties on the east side and serves as the front yard of those properties, with the backyard of the properties on the west side.

Residents wanting to ban parking on Vine Street said that due to the narrowness of the road, it is difficult for emergency vehicles and snow removal vehicles to get through, creating a safety concern.

Those opposing the parking ban have said they bought their properties knowing they could park on Vine Street, and have no other parking available to them.

City commissioners and staff have said they will work with three property owners who have no alternative parking available to them, possibly by waiving building and zoning fees associated with the owners developing off-street parking on their properties.

Regarding the issue of rubbish containers, some residents have expressed concern about them being left out along Vine Street all the time, not just on trash collection days. But staff has determined that due to the unique situation of Vine Street being an alley, the storage of rubbish containers there is not prohibited as it is on normal city streets.

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Appolonia Williams-Ellis speaks Sunday during "100 Women for Breonna Taylor" at Dwight P. Mitchell Park in Benton Harbor.

'We're tired of it ... we want justice'

Benton Harbor rally remembers Breonna Taylor

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — More than 50 people peacefully gathered in Benton Harbor on Sunday to remember Breonna Taylor, a Black woman who was shot and killed in March during a raid by white Louisville police officers in Kentucky.

Appolonia Williams-Ellis of Benton Harbor, one of the organizers, told the crowd that the killing of the 26-year-old woman hit her hard. She said the Black community is in shock over the number of Black men who have been killed by police officers.

"This time, with it being a female and the way she was murdered in her home late at night did something to my heart," she said.

A Kentucky grand jury last week brought no charges against the police officers for her death. A charge for wanton endangerment was brought against one officer for shooting into the homes of Taylor's neighbors during the drug raid. No drugs were found in the home. Police say they fired shots in response to shots fired by Taylor's boyfriend, who says he was defending the home from perceived intruders.

Williams-Ellis said it makes no sense to her that an officer who shot out some windows gets charged, but not the officers who killed Taylor.

"We're tired of it. We don't want revenge. We want justice," she said.

Justice is important so that today's children have a brighter future, she said during the event, "100 Women for Breonna Taylor," at Dwight P. Mitchell Park in Benton Harbor.

"This has to stop. Some consequences have to be made," she said. "We're not going to stop until then. Until justice starts to be served."

Deitria Crayton, right, helps 12-year-old Lovely Douglas light a candle Sunday during "100 Women for Breonna Taylor" at Dwight P. Mitchell Park in Benton Harbor.

Students from Dancesation in Benton Harbor perform Sunday during "100 Women for Breonna Taylor" in Benton Harbor. They are, from left, Tamarie Willson, Christa Campbell and Ke'lasha Mays.

Meanwhile, she said that people, especially women, need to uplift and encourage each other.

"I'm glad to see all races here because it's not just about Black women but women in general," she said. "... We as a community need to come together ... and stand as one."

Anjoli Youngblood of Benton Harbor said she brought her 12-year-old daughter, Lovely Douglas, to the event to help her to understand what is going on in the world.

"I want her to learn about the whole concept of our rights as women, as African-Americans, what she needs to look out for, how she needs to protect herself," Youngblood said.

The event included performances by students from Dancesation, directed by Ajah Fisher of Benton Harbor, and songs from Tara Sanders and Deitria Crayton, both of Benton Harbor.

Community organizer Trenton Bowens of Benton Harbor said after the event that marches and protests are great, but policies must be changed in order for police officers to be held accountable when they kill Black people.

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South Haven police officers recognized for going above and beyond

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — During a year when police departments throughout the country have been receiving backlash for their handling of arrests involving Black people, leading to a surge in the Black Lives Matter movement, the South Haven Police Department took time recently to honor several officers for going above and beyond to uphold the safety of individuals and the community.

South Haven Police Chief Natalie Thompson presented awards to five employees who, over the past year, saved lives and helped solve crimes related to a drive-by shooting, drug trafficking and a criminal sexual assault of two young girls.

The following received awards:

■ Sgt. Patrick Carlotto – Life-saving Ribbon and Uniform Bar. Carlotto saved the life of a driver of a vehicle involved in an accident on Aug. 27 at the intersection of 73rd Street and Phoenix Road. "Upon his arrival he found a vehicle off the roadway surrounded by a group of people," Police Chief Natalie Thompson said. Carlotto observed the driver was unresponsive and that all the doors of the vehicle were locked. He broke the window with his baton and after finding no pulse, pulled the driver from the car and began administering life-saving measures. After doing so he obtained a pulse. "He saved the life of an individual who received a second chance," Thompson said.

■ Sgt. Adam DeBoer – Distinguished Service Medal with Neck Ribbon and Uniform Bar. On June 27, DeBoer responded to a 911 call of a drive-by shooting at a residence on M-140 Highway in South Haven Township. No one was hit in the incident but the family was very frightened. "Inside were family members including children," Thompson said. "It was found several rounds were fired at the residence." DeBoer observed a vehicle leaving the scene and pursued the vehicle. After stopping the driver he found two firearms that were determined to be used in the shooting. "Sgt. DeBoer's quick actions led to the apprehension of a dangerous individual," Thompson said.

■ Officer Kevin Wildey – Distinguished Service Medal with Neck Ribbon and Uniform Bar. Wildey received the awards for his involvement in helping to process the crime scene in the June 27th drive-by shooting.

■ Det. Ryan Myers – Distinguished Service Medal with Neck Ribbon and Uniform Bar. In July 2019, Meyers investigated a criminal sexual conduct complaint involving two girls, ages 7 and 9. Through the course of the investigation, it was determined the suspect, the girls' biological grandfather, had left Michigan to escape being arrested. He was later found in Virginia and extradited to Michigan where he was sentenced to a lengthy prison sentence, according to Thompson. "His (Myers) work prevent a predator from preying on other victims."

■ Det. Lucas Keene – recognition for professional excellence. Keene, who is a member of the Van Buren County Narcotics Team, spent four months investigating a local drug dealer who had been selling heroin and fentanyl in the South Haven area. The suspect has since been arrested.

IN BRIEF

Weekend COVID-19 update

Berrien County added 25 new COVID-19 cases and 27 new recoveries over Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

With no new deaths, the county has about 98 active COVID-19 cases. That's compared to 100 on Friday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating nine COVID-19 patients as of Monday morning. That's up from six on Friday and five last Monday.

Van Buren County added 15 new COVID-19 cases over the weekend, while Cass County added 19. No new deaths were reported in either county.

Berrien and Van Buren county's percent positivity rates continue to be below 3 percent, while Cass County's is still about 6 percent.

Grace period ending for expired Michigan driver's licenses

LANSING (AP) — Time is running out for Michigan residents who have waited to renew their driver's license or vehicle registration during the coronavirus pandemic.

Anyone with an expiration date after March 1 were given a long grace period by the Legislature and Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. But that period ends Wednesday and no extension is anticipated.

To schedule an appointment, conduct a transaction online or find a self-service station, visit Michigan.gov/SOS.

U-M cancels study abroad programs

ANN ARBOR (AP) — The University of Michigan has canceled undergraduate study abroad programs for the school's upcoming winter term due to concerns over the COVID-19 virus.

Nearly every country is under a University of Michigan travel restriction, Associate Vice Provost and Director of Global Engagement Amy Conger said Monday in a news release.

It's also difficult to do an accurate risk assessment of COVID-19 conditions, predict entry and exit bans, and confirm the availability of quarantine housing and other safety measures at all of the study sites, Conger added.

Opposition team criticizes Enbridge plans for oil tunnel

By JOHN FLESHER
AP Environmental Writer

TRAVERSE CITY — Enbridge's plans for drilling an oil pipeline tunnel beneath a channel linking two of the Great Lakes do not meet industry standards and pose significant hazards to workers and the environment, experts who reviewed project documents on behalf of opposition groups said Monday.

Two geologists said they found numerous shortcomings with the Canadian company's proposals to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, which is considering whether to allow construction of the tunnel under the Straits of Mackinac.

"What Enbridge has submitted to the state of Michigan doesn't come close to properly designing and preparing for a tunnel underwater," said Brian O'Mara, a geological engineer who has worked on dozens of tunnel projects.

The analysis was requested by Oil & Water Don't Mix, a coalition of environmental, business and tribal organizations. They are fighting to shut down Line 5, an Enbridge pipeline that crosses the bottom of the waterway connecting Lake Michigan and Lake Huron.

Enbridge spokesman Ryan Duffy said the tunnel plans were developed in consultation with experienced geologists and engineers.

The company contends the 67-year-old Line 5 that runs between Superior, Wisconsin, and Sarnia, Ontario, is in good condition but wants to replace the 4-mile-long underwater segment with another to be housed in a nearby subterranean tunnel. Enbridge says it would pay the estimated $500 million cost.

During an online news conference, O'Mara said the tunnel plans had changed considerably since a 2017 assessment, which described the project as feasible and low-risk. That analysis by a Canadian firm was based on assumptions that have proven incorrect, he said.

It presumed the tunnel would be located entirely in solid bedrock, yet Enbridge's plan also includes digging through poor bedrock, soft silts and clay, O'Mara said.

Limestone and dolomite formations beneath the waterway connecting Lake Huron and Lake Michigan are complex jumbles that can change drastically and suddenly, he said. Without adequate data on rock conditions, fault zones and groundwater pressure, a tunnel boring machine can break down, forcing expensive repairs and delays, he said.

"They have done just a fraction of what you would expect on a project of this size and magnitude," O'Mara said.

The state environment department was scheduled to conduct the first of several public hearings Tuesday on wastewater treatment and wetlands permits that Enbridge needs to move forward. The department plans to issue rulings by the end of the year.

OBITUARIES

Eva Jane Johnson

April 8, 1933 – Sept. 24, 2020.

Eva Jane (Huffman) Johnson, 87, of Hartford went to be with the Lord on Thursday, Sept. 24, 2020, at Ascension Borgess Hospital, Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Johnson was born April 8, 1933, in Ballard County, the daughter of Henry Otis Huffman and Dovie Marie (Edging) Huffman.

She retired from Kayo Products of Benton Harbor. She loved to garden and loved her farm, shopping, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of Full Gospel Assembly for many years.

Survivors include children: Gaytha (Matthew) Keech of Hartford, James (O Kyung) Johnson Jr. of Lakewood, Wash., Lisa (Donald) Tackett of Watervliet; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; brothers: Henry (Barbara) Huffman of Pullman, and Douglas (Sherry) Huffman.

She is preceded in death by her husband, James E. Johnson, whom she married on Oct. 11, 1958; and also her parents; her daughters: Donna Huddleston and Deborah Kling; son, Timothy Johnson; three sisters; and three brothers.

Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. A service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30. Pastor Shannon Truelove will officiate. A graveside service will be at Fairview Cemetery in Watervliet. There will be a luncheon to follow. Everything will be held at Full Gospel Assembly, 55921 CR 681, Hartford.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Hartford Public Schools Foundation for Quality Education.

The family has entrusted the Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, with handling the arrangements. Those wishing to leave a memorial condolence for the family may visit our website at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Rita Ann Delaney

June 13, 1955 – Sept. 11, 2020

Rita Ann Delaney, 65, died peacefully at home surrounded by her family on Friday, Sept. 11, 2020.

A service celebrating her life will be Oct. 1, at the Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor. The visitation begins 10 a.m. followed the service at 11 a.m. Those wishing to sign the guest book online may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Rita was born on June 13, 1955, in Berrien Springs to Frank and Virgie (Stewart) Delaney.

Rita had a very bright and energetic personality. Besides spending time with her family and friends, she loved writing poetry, listening to her gospel music, reading her Bible, and riding her bike. She attended Benton Harbor Area Schools and was a member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Rita is survived by her daughter, Stepfanie (Timothy) Conner; son, Kenneth (Lakesha) Delaney Sr.; grandchildren: Dominick Delaney, Tatyana Conner, Kenneth Delaney, Jr, and Keylon Delaney; sisters: Margaret (Herman) Thompson of Arizona, Dorothy Thompson, Mildred Corhn, Barbara Whitfield and Elizabeth Delaney; a brother, Elgie Delaney; special friends: Rodger Miller, Jenny Gilbert, Kim Huston, Carolyn Caughn; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Rita was preceded in death by her son, Andrew Christopher Delaney; parents: Frank V. and Virgie E. Delaney; sisters: Lima Delaney and Virsie M. Shepherd; brothers: Frank Delaney Jr., Raymond Delaney, James Delaney, and Verdean Delaney; nephews: Gregory Shepherd, Raymond Jones, and Camilius Thompson Jr.; and nieces Mary L. Shepherd and Stephanie (Davis) Delaney.

Latisha Jeanne Williams

Feb. 11, 1976 – Sept. 19, 2020

Latisha Jeanne Williams, 44, of Benton Harbor departed this life Sept. 19, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

A service celebrating her life will be Sept. 30 at the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Benton Harbor. The visitation begins at 11 a.m. followed by the service at noon. Those wishing to sign the guest book online may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Latisha was born Feb. 11, 1976, in Benton Harbor to the late Marlene Williams and David Whitelow Sr.

She accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age under the leadership of Pastor Rudolph Thomas at Holy Temple Church of God In Christ.

Latisha was a proud graduate of the Benton Harbor Sr. High School class of 1994. She continued her education at Lake Michigan College and Western Michigan University.

Precious memories of Latisha will forever live in the heart of her sisters: LaShonda Williams and Patricia Williams; her brother, David Whitelow Jr.; nine nieces and nephews: Stephanie, Wy-Neece, Talia, Jerail, Cutis, Shamiya, Jerry, Mia, and Jeremiah; special cousins: Maurianna and Myesha; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her maternal grandparents, and paternal grandparents.

Paul V. Ryan

Nov. 24, 1926 – Sept 26, 2020

Paul V. Ryan, 93, of Coloma passed away Saturday, Sept. 26. 2020, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, at Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home in Coloma. Burial will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens. Visitation will take place from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations be made to the North Berrien Senior Center, Caring Circle or the Apostolic Tabernacle Church. Those wishing to leave a message or share a memory with the family online may do so at www.duffieldpastrick.com.

Paul was born Nov. 24, 1926, in LaCross, Ark., to Oscar and Minnie Ryan.

He moved to Coloma in 1947 and spent the next 60 years on his family farm. He enjoyed traveling and hunting in his free time and was a member of the NRA. Paul also spent a lot of time fishing with his son Greg and had many fishing tales to tell about their time on Lake Okeechobee in Florida.

Paul was a people person. He was a former coach with the Coloma Little League, a life member of the Horticultural Society of Michigan and a longtime member of the Apostolic Tabernacle Church in Benton Harbor.

Paul is survived by his wife, Billie, whom he married on June 25, 1949; his son, Greg (Sandy) Ryan of Denver; his sisters: Alice (Don) Boyer of Benton Harbor and Virgie Davis of Lawrence; and numerous nieces and nephews whom he adored.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters: Edith Brewer, Thelma Redding and Armilda Redding; and his brother, Carl Ryan.

Robert Kevin Nitz

April 12, 1954 – Sept. 27, 2020

Robert Kevin Nitz, 66, of Baroda passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020, at his home.

A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, the Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman. Friends may meet with the family from 5-7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Ruggles Cemetery.

Memorials can be given to St. Jude Childrens Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Bob was born April 12, 1954, in Benton Harbor, the son of Eldon and Lois (Tollas) Nitz.

On Dec. 31, 1995, he married Carol Ann Marsh. He was a maintenance supervisor at the D.C. Cook Nuclear Plant. Bob was a member of the Sons of the American Legion, Baroda American Legion Post 345. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed hunting and golfing.

Survivors include his wife, Carol; his parents: Eldon and Lois Nitz; step-children: Charles Smith, Kevin (Patricia) Smith, Megan (Charles) Parkhurst, Ryan (Angela) Smith and Rachel (Mark) Wilkey; five grandchildren; brothers: Michael (Sandra) Nitz, Bruce (Judy) Nitz, Brian (Lorrie) Nitz and Dale (Billie) Nitz.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Sandy Salzberg.

Theresa C. Tenerelli-Knight

Theresa C. Tenerelli-Knight, 86, of St. Joseph passed away Thursday, Sept. 24, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the family will have a private committal service at North Shore Memory Gardens in Coloma on Tuesday, Sept. 29. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church, 220 Church St., St. Joseph, MI 49085.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel.

Those wishing to leave an online condolence for the family can do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Cushy
5 Mr. Serling
8 Follow orders
12 Dock
13 Poetic tribute
14 Unusual
15 Deep-voiced lady
16 Shoe or snake
18 Cup's companion
20 Needs an aspirin
21 Prefix meaning "recent"
22 Actor — Brynner
23 Serenity
26 El Greco's city
29 Violent anger
30 Major part
31 Two — — kind
33 Previous
34 Hoodlum
35 Cluster
36 Church readings
38 Steed
39 Soft drink
40 Put in stitches
41 Give in
44 AKC word
47 Confronted boldly
49 OPEC member
51 Night crawler
52 Clean air org.
53 Icicle locale
54 Ignore socially
55 Tumult
56 Wild guess

DOWN
1 Resort
2 Tends to a squeak
3 Goat cheese
4 Drub
5 Juliet's beloved
6 Hound's trail
7 Winter mo.
8 Soothsayer
9 Clobber
10 Cleveland's waters
11 Sudden urges
17 Make watertight
19 So-so grade
22 White's opposite
23 Before, in combos
24 Marshal Wyatt —
25 Becomes mellow
26 Large casks
27 Morose
28 Switch positions
30 Jolt
32 Had a meal
34 Trudges along
35 Locals near a campus
37 Self-assurance
38 Chick's mother
40 Car with four doors
41 Fishtails
42 Computer graphic
43 Pantyhose color
44 Military cap
45 Q.E.D. part
46 Emerging magma
48 Slugger — Williams
50 Omaha's st.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	L	E	S		G	O	Y	A		B	A	M
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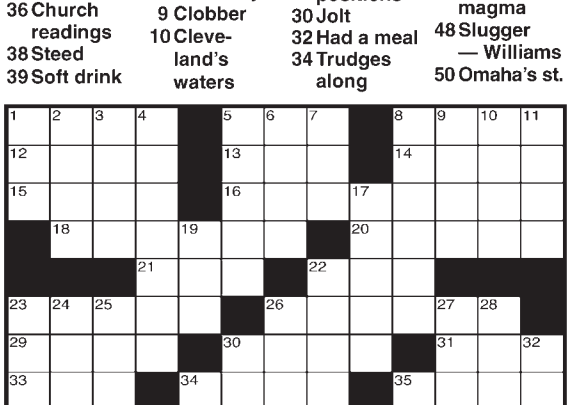

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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ANSAVC

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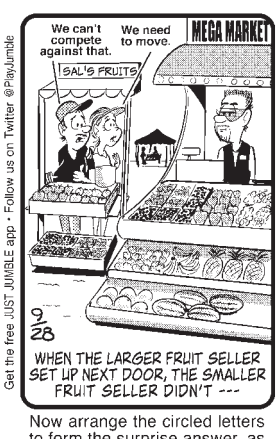
MEGA MARKET
We can't compete against that.
We need to move.
SAL'S FRUITS
WHEN THE LARGER FRUIT SELLER SET UP NEXT DOOR, THE SMALLER FRUIT SELLER DIDN'T ---
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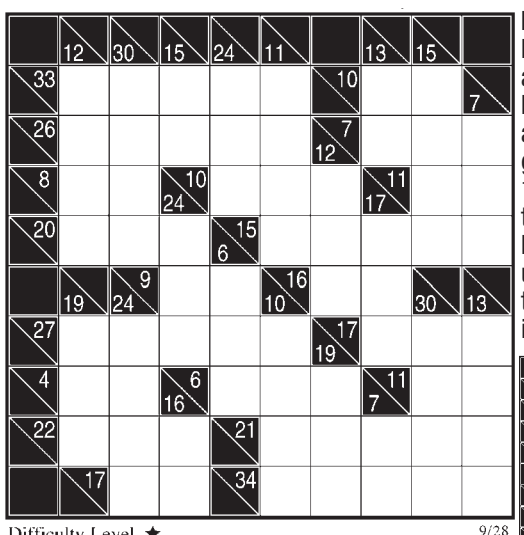
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

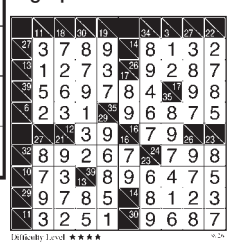
Saturday's Jumbles: TWICE KNEED THEORY NUMBER
Answer: Their poker buddy tried to bluff, but they — KNEW "BETTOR"

KAKURO



How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Difficulty Level ★ 9/28



BRIDGE

Edward Young, in his most famous work, "Night Thoughts," wrote, "The bell strikes one. We take no note of time. But from its loss."

If only the bell would ring at the bridge table when we needed to find a critical play. The game would be so much easier.

Today's deal provides a good example of how the campanologist would enjoy an advantage. South is in six no-trump. After West leads the heart nine, what should declarer do?

South's two-no-trump response showed a balanced hand with 8 points or more, telling partner that they surely had a slam. North used Gerber to ask for aces.

Declarer sees only eight top tricks: two spades, four hearts (given the lead) and two diamonds. Another five winners will surely come from clubs. But a suspicious South realizes that the clubs must be 4-0; otherwise, there wouldn't be a problem. Someone taking advantage of the ringing bell would win the first trick in hand and play a club to dummy's seven!

But now let's damp the bell. South wins East's heart jack with his ace and plays a club to the jack. Suddenly the contract must fail! So what is the right play?

Declarer should win the first trick with dummy's heart queen and continue with the club king. Suppose West wins with the ace (it doesn't help to duck) and exits with a spade. South plays a heart to his ace and leads a club, capturing West's nine with dummy's jack. Back to hand with a diamond, declarer finesses dummy's club seven and claims two spades, three hearts, two diamonds and five clubs.

North 09-28-20
♠ A K
♥ K Q 5
♦ K J
♣ K Q J 8 7 2

West
♠ 10 5 3
♥ 9 8 7
♦ 10 6 2
♣ A 10 9 4

East
♠ Q 7 6 4 2
♥ J 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 7 3
♣ —

South
♠ J 9 8
♥ A 10 6 2
♦ A 5 4
♣ 6 5 3

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
		2♣	Pass
2NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♠	Pass	6NT	All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 9

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

7		6		4			9	
	8	4	1	5		2	7	
	9	5	3	7			1	
				2		6	5	
		3	9	6	4	7		
	7	2		3				
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	3			1		4		9

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

2	9	7	4	8	1	3	6	5
1	8	3	7	5	6	4	2	9
4	5	6	3	2	9	1	7	8
6	2	8	9	7	4	5	3	1
5	4	9	1	3	2	7	8	6
7	3	1	5	6	8	2	9	4
8	1	2	6	4	7	9	5	3
9	7	5	8	1	3	6	4	2
3	6	4	2	9	5	8	1	7

OBITUARIES

Sheila Mary (Peers) Collins

Sept. 9, 1921 – Sept. 22, 2020

Sheila Mary (Peers) Collins was born in Bushey, Hertfordshire, England, on Sept. 9, 1921, and died peacefully at her daughter's home in St. Joseph on Sept. 22, 2020.

Sheila was preceded in death by her beloved husband, William "Bill" Eugene Collins, in 1997, one year after their 50th wedding anniversary and shortly following a memorable family reunion and celebration at Grove Park Inn in Asheville, N.C. She also was preceded in death by her beloved and only sibling, Bryan Cyril Peers of London.

Sheila was educated at the Convent of the Sacred Heart Roehampton, near London. In fall 1938, she briefly attended a German-run convent school in Tetschen, Czechoslovakia, as an exchange student. Coincident with Hitler's intent to reclaim part of Czechoslovakia (the Sudetanland), German tanks and troops crossed the Czech border in early October. With the help of the local nuns, Sheila escaped on the last train out of the country and just ahead of the incoming German army.

After completing secretarial college, Sheila worked for several employers in the late 1930s, including the well-known photographer to the royal family, Cecil Beaton. He often asked her opinion of photographs he had taken of the teenage Princess Margaret and Princess Elizabeth (now Queen Elizabeth II).

In 1942, at the age of 21, Sheila was "called up" and stationed in Cheltenham in the west of England where she served as secretary to Lt. Col. Person of the just-arrived U.S. Army Services of Supply Division. Her uniform, she was proud to say, displayed both British and American insignia.

In 1944, shortly following the retreat of the Germans from Paris, France, the English secretaries were transferred to Paris. Sheila met her future husband, a captain in the U.S. Army Censorship Division, in Paris at a blind-date bridge game. It was in Paris that Sheila and Bill became engaged. She also made many lifelong friends during the war.

Following the end of the war, Sheila was fortunate, owing to a last-minute cancellation, to obtain passage to America on the Aquitania. In less than 24 hours, she obtained a visa, packed a single trunk, and was driven to Southampton. She and Bill were married Oct. 12, 1946, in Linthicum Heights, Md., with a reception at the home of Bill's sister, Margaret Caskey.

In 1948, following Bill's graduation from Harvard Law School, they moved permanently to Dallas, where they, with considerable help from Gladis Lewis, in whose name a scholarship for underprivileged minorities has been created at Grace Christian School in Michigan, raised their six children: Michael, John, Bruce, Paul, Cathy and Bryan.

Sheila was deeply involved in their education and sports activities and took on numerous roles in their schools: Dealey Elementary, Hillcrest High School and St. Mark's School of Texas; including leadership positions in the PTA and the Girl Scouts.

After many years in Texas, and despite some concern about her obligation to "renounce all allegiance" to England, she proudly became a U.S. citizen.

Sheila was known for her calm and capable demeanor, easy laughter, and generous heart. Her passions were primarily her family's welfare, playing bridge, reading (often a book per day) and traveling. She furthered her love for travel by co-founding and working for All Aboard Travel Agency. She was perfectly suited to lead countless tours to her native England, to France, where she spent much of the war, and to many other European countries. As empty-nesters, Sheila and Bill traveled the world.

Sheila's passion for the game of bridge led her to run all the Dallas bridge tournaments during much of the early 1970s. She also served as president of the Dallas Unit and of the Dallas District of the American Contract Bridge League.

Sheila was a life master many times over and would often be found playing tournaments with friends who, after enough tournament wins, would themselves become life masters. She also played with and against many of the top players in the world, including one memorable game with Omar Sharif.

Sheila was loved and will be terribly missed by her family and friends. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Michael and Melissa Collins, John and Lori Collins, Bruce and Victoria Collins, Paul and Val Collins, Cathy and Dr. John Froggatt, and Bryan Collins and Dr. Stephanie Setliff; 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Per Sheila's wishes, there will be a private family graveside service in Leonard, Texas, where she will be buried next to Bill.

Memorials can be made to the Gladis Lewis Scholarship Fund, Grace Christian School, 325 N. M-140, Watervliet, MI 49098; or to the Salvation Army.

Edmund Stoner Stanage

May 30, 1927 – Sept. 17, 2020

Edmund "Ed" Stoner Stanage, 93, of Three Oaks passed away Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020.

He was born May 30, 1927, in Three Oaks, to Merle O'Donnell Allen and James Stanage Sr.

He married Phyllis Stella Kuna on June 16, 1951, in Harvey, Ill. After 67 years of marriage, she preceded him in death on Aug. 30, 2018.

Ed and Phyllis enjoyed the country life, residing just outside of town, on their farm since 1957. The farm he homesteaded on a plot of land less than 1 mile from the house he was born in; clearing the land, building a home, cultivating the fields, and where he built the ideal peaceful life for himself and his family.

Through the years, Ed and Phyllis hosted countless extended family gatherings at their home enjoying summer picnics and boat rides, winter sledding and ice skating on the pond, and spring mushroom hunting in the woods.

Having roots in the Three Oaks area, the old village and the local countryside were deeply special to Ed. He often told stories of childhood memories attending the one-room Spring Creek School, supplying produce to the pickle cannery in town, hunting in the forests with his cousins, and picking peaches and apples in the local orchards.

Ed later became an avid fisherman. He enjoyed fishing the many rivers, creeks and ponds of Southwest Michigan and was always eager to share his "catch" with others. A lifelong observer of nature, he could expertly identify hundreds of regional animals, fish, birds and plants, including every species of trees growing on his own land.

Ed was drafted into the U.S. Army and additionally, served in the U.S. Air Force from 1945-48. He was awarded the World War II Victory Medal. After returning home from military service, he went to work for Allis-Chalmers in La Porte, Ind., where he worked for more than 30 years.

Ed will be remembered as a kind, generous and hard-working man. Everyone who knew him admired how he could make, build or fix just about anything; a legacy of practical knowledge he passed to the next generation. He will be mostly remembered for the love he had for his wife, Phyllis, who he called "his sweetheart," and for his family.

Ed will be greatly missed by family and friends. Left to cherish his memory are one son, Christopher Stanage of New Buffalo; two daughters, Kathleen (Thomas) Dean of Kalamazoo and Carolyn (Luke Allen) Volstorf of La Porte County, Ind.; three grandsons, Jim (Dominisha Wagner) Hausmann of Galien, Jacob (Carolyn) Dean of Raleigh, N.C., and Aaron Dean of Auburn Hills; a half brother, Richard (Jackie) Stanage; his great-granddaughter, Raegan Hausmann; along with nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, James Stanage Jr. of Three Oaks; and his sister, Patricia Klute of La Porte County, Ind.

Ed's family will observe a private remembrance.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Pobocik Chapel Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks.

Share a memory or a message online at www.wagnercares.com.

Robert 'Bob' Lee Samuelson

May 8, 1927 – Sept. 27, 2020

Robert "Bob" Lee Samuelson, 93, of St. Joseph passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville.

Bob was born May 8, 1927, in Barrington, Ill., to the late Julius and Elsie Samuelson, and raised in Chicago until 1942, when the family moved to St. Joseph.

He was a 1945 graduate of St. Joseph High School. Bob started working at The News Palladium in 1948 until 1950 when he was drafted into the U.S. Army. In April 1951, he went to Korea where he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, Korean Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal. Upon discharge in June 1952, he returned to work at the newspaper, retiring in 1989.

Bob married Beverly White on Feb. 22, 1958. He enjoyed camping, canoeing with family and friends at Sand Lake, hunting and fishing. He was a member of Korean War Veterans of Southwest Michigan, Papsan-Mamasan Korean War Veterans, and American Legion.

He is survived by his daughter, Mari (George) Williams; step-son, Tim Beck; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly; son, Joel; parents: Julius and Elsie; sister, Bette (Norman) Rothenberg; and sister, Shirley Timm.

Cremation has taken place. A graveside service will be held by the family at a later date. Together as they always were, Bob and Bev will be laid to rest at North Shore Memory Gardens. Memorial contributions may be made to Hanson Hospice Center in Stevensville. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hoven Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.hovenfunerals.com.

Barbara Joyce Smith

Nov. 11, 1948 – Sept. 23, 2020

Barbara's life began Nov. 11, 1948, in Watervliet.

She enjoyed being a lifetime area resident in her corner of Michigan. Barbara worked at Hilltop Grocery in St. Joseph in the meat department for over 30 years right up until they closed. She then went to work as a receptionist at the YWCA in St. Joseph.

In her spare time she enjoyed golfing, bicycling, she bowled on leagues for several years, and was an avid reader. Barbara also enjoyed giving back to her community through volunteering for projects such as bowling for the blind, handicapped horse riding, and many others.

Barbara leaves behind five siblings: Janet (Ron) McGath, Shirley (Mike) Kupiecki, John (Barbara) Smith, Michael (Terrie) Smith, and Ann Smith, and numerous nieces and nephews to cherish her memory.

Barbara died Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

Her parents: John and Rose (Daly) Smith precede Barbara in death.

Hutchins Funeral Home in Watervliet is assisting Barbara's family with cremation. Her family will celebrate her life privately at a later date. Memorials may be made in Barbara's memory to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan. You are invited to leave a message of comfort for Barbara's family at hutchinsfuneral.com.

LeAnn M. Gagliardo

Aug. 31, 1947 – Sept. 25, 2020

LeAnn M. Gagliardo of Manistee, Mich., loving wife of Anthony "Tony" Gagliardo, died Friday, Sept. 25, 2020.

Services will be Friday, Oct. 2, in Manistee. Herbert Funeral Home, Manistee, 231-723-3557.

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Death notices

Maryann Burns, 68, of Berrien Springs died Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020, at her home. Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs, 471-3729.

Sheila Mary (Peers) Collins, 99, of St. Joseph died Sept. 22, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Rita Ann Delaney, 65, died Sept. 11, 2020. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Kenneth "Ken" W. Flowers, 77, of Dowagiac died Sept. 26, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

LeAnn M. Gagliardo of Manistee, Mich., died Sept. 25, 2020. Herbert Funeral Home, Manistee, 231-723-3557.

Doinas "Mr. G" Ghidirmic, 83, of St. Joseph died Sept. 26, 2020 at his home. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Marilyn Gordon, 85, of Niles died Sept. 27, 2020, in her home. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Eva Jane (Huffman) Johnson, 87, of Hartford died Sept. 24, 2020. Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Nancy J. "Pete" McKie, 86 of Coloma died Sept. 26, 2020. Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home, Coloma, 468-6000.

Elvern Neubauer, 84, of Niles died Sept. 27, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Robert Kevin Nitz, 66, of Baroda died Sept. 27, 2020. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

Anita Marie (St. Pierre) Rivette died Sept. 25, 2020, at Pine Ridge Nursing & Rehabilitation, Stevensville. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Paul V. Ryan, 93, of Coloma died Sept. 26. 2020. Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home, Coloma, 468-6000.

Robert "Bob" Lee Samuelson, 93, of St. Joseph died Sept. 27, 2020. Hoven Funeral Home, Buchanan, 695-2363.

Barbara Joyce Smith, of Coloma died Sept. 23, 2020. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

Edmund Stoner Stanage, 93, of Three Oaks died Sept. 17, 2020. Pobocik Chapel, Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks, 756-3831.

Theresa C. Tenerelli-Knight, 86, of St. Joseph died Sept. 24, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Hugh Trussell, 77, of Niles died Sept. 27, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Latisha Jeanne Williams, 44, of Benton Harbor died Sept. 19, 2020. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Kenneth 'Ken' W. Flowers

Feb. 10, 1943 – Sept. 26, 2020

Kenneth "Ken" W. Flowers 77, of Dowagiac passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

Ken was born on Feb. 10, 1943, to Charles and Meleda (Bohn) Flowers in Benton Harbor.

He graduated from Benton Harbor High School and continued his education at Western Michigan University where he earned his bachelor's in engineering. Ken proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force before being honorably discharged.

On Jan. 21, 1967, Ken married the love of his life, Sharon "Sharie" Hamilton in Benton Harbor. He worked for Whirlpool Corp. for over 27 years in multiple roles before his retirement.

Ken was an active member of the Moose Lodge 933 and VFW Post 1855, both located in Dowagiac. He was known to be a jack-of-all-trades and could always be found fixing things and working on projects around his home. He enjoyed playing the guitar, working in his garden and cooking on the grill.

Most of all, he loved to spend his time with his family. Ken truly defined the roles of husband and father. His kids saw him as their hero that was always there for them through any ups or downs no matter what. His family will not only dearly miss his guidance and presence but his wonderful hugs as well.

Ken is survived by his wife and best friend of 53 years, Sharie Flowers of Dowagiac; children: Ken (Misty) Flowers of St. Joseph, Rob Flowers of Dowagiac, Phyllis (Andy Hatter) Sarabyn of Dowagiac and Michael (Suzann) Flowers of Dexter, Mich.; grandchildren: Austin, Lindsey, Michael and Markus; great-grandchild, Ryatt; and siblings: Glen (Fritz) Flowers of Sodus, Bud Flowers of Hartford, Florence Hemminger of Hartford, Carol (Ray) Murphy of Texas and Judy Gustafson of St. Joseph.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents: Charles and Meleda Flowers, and siblings: twin sister, Kathy Smith, Dee Schmidt, Dorothy Zuhl, Jeannette Totzke, and Gerry Flowers.

Memorial contributions may be made to VFW Post 1855. Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services, St. Joseph. The family will be holding a celebration of remembrance at a future date.

Nancy J. 'Pete' McKie

June 26, 1934 – Sept. 26, 2020

Nancy J. "Pete" McKie, 86, of Coloma passed away Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020, at her residence.

Services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2 at Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home in Coloma, where visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Thursday. Burial will follow in Coloma Cemetery.

Donations in memory of Nancy may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan, Coloma United Methodist Church, or the Coloma American Legion, Post 362. Those wishing to leave an online message of remembrance may do so at www.duffieldpastrick.com.

Nancy was born June 26, 1934, in Benton Harbor to Chancie and Hilda (Stermer) Krugh.

She retired in 1996 as a cook from Coloma Community Schools, was a member of the Coloma United Methodist Church and the Coloma American Legion Post 362, Ladies Auxiliary.

Suvivors include her husband, Edward "Buck" McKie Jr., whom she married March 15, 1951; five children: Joe (Karen) McKie, Karol (Kenneth) Stanisz Sr., Tim (Amanda) McKie, Mark (Karen) McKie and Karen McKie. Also surviving is a sister, Leona Barowicz; a brother, Corwin (Elaine) Krugh; nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and her canine companion "Pogo."

Nancy was preceded in death by three grandsons: Kenneth Stanisz Jr., Sean and Christian McKie, and a sister, Beverly Schmidt.

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

A replica rifle has been snatched, again, from the World War I doughboy soldier statue at Lake Bluff Park. Department of Public Works employee Carl Radde discovered the statue's empty left hand Tuesday. Police discovered a couple of mock cannon balls stacked at the nearby Dahlgren cannon had been knocked down the bluff. The balls were returned to the stack, but a search of the area could not find the gun. After an American Legion Auxiliary fundraising effort, the doughboy was dedicated Nov. 11, 1930, the 12th anniversary of the end of World War I.

1985 – 35 years ago

The Decatur Village Council, on Monday night, took no action on an ordinance that would require homeowners to mow their lawns. Under the proposed ordinance, council members would appoint a "commissioner of noxious weeds" that could order homeowners to cut lawns that have become overgrown by weeds and grass. If a homeowner failed to comply, the lawns would be mowed by village employees, and the cost would be added to the homeowner's property tax. Currently, the village has been mowing overgrown lawns for free.

1970 – 50 years ago

A self-propelled aquatic vegetation harvester designed to combat one of the most prevalent forms of water pollution – the weed-choked lake – is being tested by Clark Equipment Co.'s development division in Cassopolis. The harvester is designed to cut weeds and algae at depths up to 5 feet, and then bring them aboard the barge-like machine by means of a conveyor belt. The removal impedes, or in many cases stops, the fertilization process of the weeds and algae, thereby clearing the lake for better fishing, swimming and other water sports.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 29, the 273rd day of 2020. There are 93 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Sept. 29, 2005, John G. Roberts Jr. was sworn in as the nation's 17th chief justice after winning Senate confirmation.

On this date:

In 1789, the U.S. War Department established a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.

In 1910, the National Urban League had its beginnings in New York as The Committee on Urban Conditions Among Negroes.

In 1918, Allied forces began their decisive breakthrough of the Hindenburg Line during World War I.

In 1938, British, French, German and Italian leaders concluded the Munich Agreement, which was aimed at appeasing Adolf Hitler by allowing Nazi annexation of Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland.

In 1943, General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Italian Marshal Pietro Badoglio signed an armistice aboard the British ship HMS Nelson off Malta.

In 1962, Canada joined the space age as it launched the Alouette 1 satellite from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. The musical "My Fair Lady" closed on Broadway after 2,717 performances.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Few Showers	Few Showers	Few Showers	Mostly Cloudy
62°	51°	64° / 48°	57° / 44°	53° / 41°	55° / 42°

Local Outlook

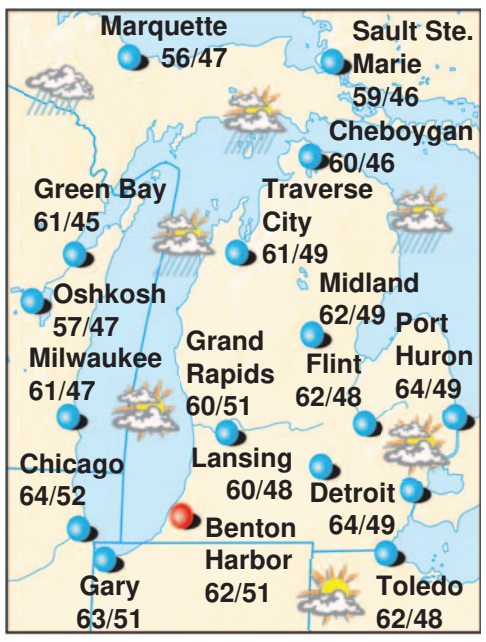
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 62°, humidity of 64%. West southwest wind 11 to 14 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of showers, overnight low of 51°. Southwest wind 13 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 7:41 a.m.
Sunset ..... 7:29 p.m.
Moonrise ..... 7:03 p.m.
Moonset ..... 5:13 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
10/1	10/9	10/16	10/23

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	60°
Low	51°
Normal High	70°
Normal Low	48°
Record High	81° in 2015
Record Low	39° in 2000

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.22"
Month to date	2.32"
Normal for month	2.98"
Year to date	28.14"
Normal Year to date	28.52"

Air Quality

Yesterday 28
Main Offender ..... Ozone

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

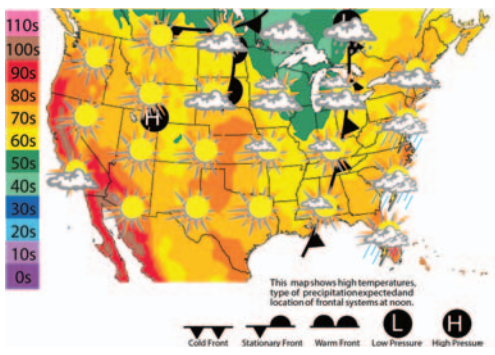
Weather Trivia

What are cirrus clouds?

Answer: High-level clouds on average of 16,000 feet or more.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Sept. 29, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, WSW wind around 14 kt. A slight chance of showers. Waves 4 to 5 ft. Water temperature 64 degrees. Tonight, WSW wind around 14 kt. A chance of showers. Waves 3 to 5 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with widespread showers, highs in the 50s and 60s. Southwest wind 15 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with widespread showers, highs in the 50s. West wind 6 to 14 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with highs in the 60s. West southwest wind 11 to 14 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Wednesday with scattered showers, highs in the 60s. West wind 11 to 17 mph.

Michigan AG to probe group seeking to repeal governor powers

By DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — Michigan's attorney general opened an investigation Monday into allegations that a ballot group may have committed crimes while gathering signatures to repeal a law that gives Gov. Gretchen Whitmer broad powers to manage the coronavirus crisis without legislative approval.

Dana Nessel, a Democrat, said her office will probe Unlock Michigan, a Republican-affiliated committee that plans to submit its signatures Friday. If the group turns in enough – it needs 340,000 valid signatures – the initiative will go to the Legislature.

Majority Republicans could enact the measure into law, unless they lose control of the House in November, and the measure could not be vetoed by the Democratic governor. Whitmer has used the 1945 law to continually extend a state of emergency, the underpinning of her sweeping COVID-19 orders that restrict business operations, limit gathering sizes and require masks in public.

The Detroit Free Press has reported on deceptive, potentially illegal tactics engaged by people who gathered signatures. The League of Women Voters and John Pirich, a retired election lawyer who supported Whitmer's election, subsequently wrote letters seeking an investigation.

"Our ballot initiative process allows efforts with strong public support to be presented to the Legislature. But that process becomes tainted when petition circulators manipulate and cheat to serve their own agendas," Nessel, who has supported Whitmer's use of emergency powers, said in a statement. "My office will investigate these allegations, and if there is a violation of law, we will prosecute those responsible."

Fred Wszolek, spokesman for Unlock Michigan, called the probe "a partisan political farce, which is to be expected from this partisan political attorney general."

Michigan says racial disparities of virus have diminished

By DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — Michigan reported Monday that Black residents are no longer being disproportionately infected and killed by the coronavirus, after they accounted for a staggering 40 percent of deaths through much of the pandemic. For the last two available weeks of data, African Americans represented 10 percent of COVID-19 deaths and 8 percent of cases. They comprise about 14 percent of the state's population.

They still account for at least 38 percent of confirmed and probable deaths overall, and at least 20 percent of cases, according to state data. A patient's race is not always reported.

Democratic Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist II chairs a state task force that is addressing virus-related racial disparities. He credited people of color for being more likely to wear masks and follow safety guidelines – because they were hit hard at the beginning of the outbreak – and said the disparities' downward trend has been holding for at least a month.

"We still need to be careful as we come into the fall, as we come into the flu season," he told The Associated Press. "But thanks to the state of Michigan paying attention to this issue, prioritizing this issue – we have the most muscular response to racial disparities in the country – we can say that those disparities have flattened. That's a testament to people of Michigan and the work of the experts on the task force."

Gilchrist, who is Black, has said he has lost 23 people in his life to the virus. Detroit, where he lives and which was an early hot spot nationally along with surrounding suburban areas, is 79 percent Black and accounts for 23 percent of Michigan's 7,044 deaths related to COVID-19.

Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer formed the task force in April. Actions taken include launching ads, particularly on social media, to target communities of color and increasing testing sites in vulnerable places disproportionately affected by the virus.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has said race and ethnicity are risk markers for underlying conditions that affect health – socioeconomic status, access to medical care and increased exposure to COVID-19 while working frontline, essential jobs.

Since August, the daily rates of new cases and deaths for Black residents has been equal to or lower than those for white people, according to the governor's office. Over the six-month emergency, the daily case rate among Black people has been more than twice what it is among white residents. The daily death rate for Black residents has been nearly four times that of white people.

In the most recent two-week period, the rate of new cases for Black people was about half that for white residents. The death rates for Black and white residents were about the same over those weeks.

School outbreaks

Also Monday, the state reported 27 new outbreaks at schools last week – 21 in K-12 buildings and six at colleges and universities totaling 92 cases. There also were more than 3,900 cases linked to ongoing outbreaks that were identified in previous weeks but had at least one new associated case.

Of the 4,000-plus ongoing or new cases, about 200 were tied to K-12 schools. The rest were linked to universities and colleges, including Michigan State (1,295 cases) and Grand Valley State (811 cases.)

MISS BLOSSOMTIME

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said. "They're the ones that look up to us."

After she was crowned Miss Blossomtime, Kittleson thanked all of her supporters.

Kittleson, from Berrien Springs High School, is the daughter of Eden Partlo and Cary Kittleson.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the pageant was delayed six months and held outdoors under a tent at the Golf Club at Harbor Shores in Benton Harbor.

Joining her were first runner-up Miss South Haven Katherine Schooley and second runner-up Miss Benton Harbor Jada Willis.

Schooley, from South Haven High School, is the daughter of Lori and Kevin Schooley. Willis, who attends Berrien Springs High School, is the daughter of Alberlena Adams and Jermaine Willis.

It was unknown until about three weeks ago if there would even be a pageant, said Blossomtime President Anna Abdelnour. The pageant was initially called off due to the pandemic in March three days before it was to be held at Lake Michigan College.

But when the contestants said they wanted one during a recent charm bracelet ceremony, she said her team decided to make it happen.

The Miss Congeniality title, which is usually voted on by the contestants, was not given out this year because the contestants didn't spend enough time together.

Even though many things were shortened, Abdelnour said it was still the Greatest Show on Earth, in keeping with the year's theme.

The Mr. Blossomtime contest was held a few hours before the Miss Blossomtime Pageant, rather than on the day before, which is the normal tradition.

One notable absence from the pageant was 2019 Miss Blossomtime Olivia Grace Ellis. Abdelnour said Ellis was quarantined Friday.

Host Roxie Elliott, Miss Blossomtime from 2014 and a journalist at ABC57, read a letter from Ellis, in which she said she was doing her part to slow down the spread of the virus by staying in her "cozy apartment in Allendale."

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MR. BLOSSOMTIME

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people of our communities as we travel this new road together."

Because indoor gatherings are prohibited, the pageant was held outside under a tent at the Golf Club at Harbor Shores in Benton Harbor. The public was not invited because outdoor gatherings are limited to 100 people.

First runner-up was Mr. Berrien Springs Skyler Sawle. Mr. South Haven Jackson Williams grabbed the second runner-up title.

Williams, from South Haven High School, is the son of Karen and Scott Hall and Thomas Williams. Sawle, a Berrien Springs High School graduate, is the son of Lori Stolte and Jacob Sawle.

There was no Mr. Nice Guy announced this year.

"Due to the unforeseen pandemic, these guys didn't have much time to spend together after being apart for six months," said co-host Roxie Elliott, 2014 Miss Blossomtime and a journalist at ABC57.

Joining her as co-host was Tim Taylor, owner of Timothy Jeffry hair salon in St. Joseph.

Because the public was not invited, the pageant was streamed live by WSJM on Facebook and on its radio station. But that also presented unique problems, with the live feed disappearing as the finalists were being announced.

Blossomtime officials later posted an apology, saying that Facebook took the live stream down due to a problem with music rights. The music was toned down during the Miss Blossomtime pageant due to Facebook restrictions.

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YOUNG

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no plans to retire.

"If I stay home, I'd be bored," she said. "I have to be doing something. That's the type of person I am. I'm grateful that I'm still healthy. Right now, I'm good."

Young spoke recently with Herald-Palladium Staff Writer Louise Wrege.

What does the award mean to you?

I love Benton Harbor. I really do. Benton Harbor is like the city on the hill to me. We have good people in Benton Harbor. Commissioner (Sharon) Henderson recommended me for the award. She said it's long overdue.

How often do you clean that stretch of Colfax?

It depends. I try every other day. When I get off work, I'll do it.

Why do you do it?

I take pride in my neighborhood. I always have, no matter where I lived at. It's just part of me. My philosophy is – love thy neighbor as thyself. If I can help enhance our neighborhood, it blesses my heart to be able to do that. People do thank me. I'll be at the store and they'll say, "Aren't you that woman on Colfax picking up paper?" I just smile and say, "Yup, that's me." A lot of them tell me they really appreciate what I'm doing.

I'm proud of Benton Harbor. We have so much going on, so many talented people. It's just amazing.

Has anyone followed your example?

Unfortunately no. The lady across the street will come out and pick up stuff every now and then. But basically, no.

We have a lot of elderly on our street. Some aren't mobile and can't do anything. That's where I come in and help. It's my way to give back.

What would you like to see happen in Benton Harbor?

I'd like to see people take more pride in their property. And I'd like to see the proprietors of these gas stations and corner stores put barriers around their dumpsters. That would help out a lot. Then paper wouldn't blow in our neighborhoods.

Do you have any hobbies?

I love cooking when I get a chance to. Cooking to me is therapeutic.

Does your cooking bring your family home for the holidays?

Yes. We come together as a family and celebrate one another because life is short. It's a blessing that you still have your family here with you.

Any other hobbies?

I love to travel. And I love writing poetry. English was my favorite subject in school.

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Athlete Spotlight

Photo provided

Sylvia Park has been a top swimmer for St. Joseph for several seasons.

Sylvia Park:

A skilled swimmer for St. Joseph

By BEN SPENCER
HP Sports Correspondent

Sylvia Park first got into the water as a way to learn what she considered a valuable skill.

"When I was really young, starting at probably four years old, my grandparents decided to put me in swim lessons," said Park, a senior on St. Joseph's swim team. "My grandpa was always a big advocate for learning to swim since we live near Lake Michigan, and he thought of it as a big life skill.

"It was definitely a survival skill at first."

Fast forward to today, and Park is one of the Bears' top middle-distance swimmers. She mainly swims the 100 butterfly and breaststroke, but also sometimes participates in the 200 or 400 freestyle, as well as the medley relay.

Park's personal best time of 1:00.69 in the 100 fly sits just a tenth of a second behind the school record, which has stood since 1990.

The 100 breaststroke record was set in 2014 at 1:08.05. Park is currently two seconds behind that mark.

"Sylvia is an outstanding person and swimmer," said St. Joseph coach Janet Beemer. "She always sets the right example. She works harder than anyone in the pool and hates to lose.

"Her attitude, ability and work ethic will take her far in life. I see her breaking the 100 fly record and the 100 breast record this season."

Park trains with the YMCA Dolphins in the offseason. Outside of swimming, she is also president of the school's Student Foundation and serves as treasurer in the Key Club.

Park is interested in studying biochemistry in college, and hopes to attend either Michigan State University, University of Michigan or Grand Valley State University.

Where did your love of swimming come from?

I took lessons at the Y(MCA), from there, I enjoyed it and picked it up quickly. After that, I was on the Y swim team in second grade. I really loved competing with other kids and meeting kids from other schools. I just stuck with it and realized, 'Oh, I'm doing pretty well with this. I might as well continue.' In high school I definitely found a whole different side of a family on the swim team that I couldn't imagine going through high school without.

What are your goals, either personal or team, for your senior season?

I'd really love to break the 100 fly record for our school. I'm pretty close to that – I'm right now two seconds away and last season I was a tenth of a second away. As far as team, I think this year it's really important that we're getting to know each other, just because I think swimming is special in that it's a very individual sport, however the team together is what makes it fun. We have a huge freshman class this year, and a lot of them are really strong swimmers, so we want to encourage them.

Which event that you participate in do you find most rewarding?

Probably the 100 butterfly, because it definitely is, I'd say, the hardest stroke. I think, for me, it's where I feel the most strong.

Do you have anything you like to do in your free time?

I have very little free time, but in my extra time, like over the summers, I really like to go camping with my family. Clubs are also a big thing for me, so I volunteer with clubs on the weekend. Other than that, hanging out with family and friends. I like hammocking, and I also play the flute (in the school band).

The Herald-Palladium's Athlete Spotlight, sponsored by Whirlpool Corp., appears weekly on Tuesday in The HP Sports section during the school year. Athletes are chosen by HP staff members. Suggestions for Athlete Spotlight are welcome. Email suggestions to sports@TheHP.com. Athletes are limited to one selection per school year.

Brynn Anderson / AP

Chicago quarterback Nick Foles (9) works against the Atlanta Falcons during the second half of Sunday's game.

With QB situation addressed, Bears now seek consistency

By GENE CHAMBERLAIN
Associated Press

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — The Chicago Bears have made the quarterback change to Nick Foles, a move that was expected throughout the NFL since before training camp began.

Now they need some consistency to avoid situations like what they've experienced in the first three weeks of the season.

Bears coach Matt Nagy on Monday announced Foles would replace Mitchell Trubisky as the starting quarterback when they play the Indianapolis Colts. And with the change, the Bears are hoping to avoid more slow offensive starts.

"That said, our resiliency and our perseverance with these players, the high-character guys who we have, there is something special about this group," Nagy said. "I don't know what it is, but there is something special about this team and I love it. I'm proud of them."

The Bears fell behind 23-6 against the Detroit Lions in the season opener before rallying in the fourth quarter to win. They trailed Atlanta 26-10 in the fourth quarter Sunday before their 30-26 victory to go 3-0 on the season for the first time since 2013.

The offense has been hit or miss, which led to Trubisky's benching more than anything else.

"We were lacking a little bit of a rhythm," Nagy said. "There wasn't a lot of energy. There was just something missing a little bit."

Two wins after trailing by 16 points or more in the fourth quarter of each game had never been achieved by an NFL team in the same season, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

The Bears had a wild swing the other way in their other game, a 17-13 victory over the New York Giants in which they led 17-0 and held on at the end.

"Hopefully in the future, we don't have to dig ourselves out of any holes, but at the same time, again, I mean, that's why you play four quarters and that just goes to show you that we have a very resilient team," wide receiver Allen Robinson said.

Now that Foles is at quarterback, they're hoping to settle into more consistency. For Foles, everything is becoming more familiar – and it helps.

"I felt good out there," Foles said. "Not perfect, but I felt good. As I've been here since training camp, I've gotten to know my teammates more."

What's working

Throwing to the tight ends was a problem all last year when the Bears got only 46 total receptions from the position, but on Jimmy Graham had six catches and two touchdowns Sunday. It was the first time in a regular-season game since Nov. 9, 2017, with Seattle that he had more than one TD catch in a game.

The two TD catches brought Graham's total this season to three, equaling his total from a full season with Green Bay last year.

What needs help

The Bears need to become more disciplined. They had 10 penalties for 80 yards against Atlanta, a drastic departure from their first two games.

Stock up

Robinson, who doesn't yet have a contract extension for next year, had 10 catches for 123 yards and his first TD catch of the season. He had just eight catches coming into Sunday's game. Robinson might have had one other TD, but it was taken away by replay after officials first ruled simultaneous possession and a Bears score.

Injured

Tarik Cohen suffered a torn right ACL in the game and is done for the season. Defensive back Sherrick McManis injured a hamstring.

Lions moving on after ending 11-game losing streak

By LARRY LAGE
Associated Press

ALLEN PARK — Even though Detroit Lions coach Matt Patricia had to wait 11 months to experience the thrill of victory, he insisted relief didn't describe his feelings.

"I don't ride the roller coaster," Patricia said Monday, a day after ending an 11-game losing streak at Arizona. "I just have to stay consistent. I think it's hard to lead if you ride the roller coaster.

"I think it's hard to exist in this world of competitive football if you ride that roller coaster because I think when you do that, you just hope it stops when you're at the high point and not the down point."

The Lions looked like they might be headed for rock bottom after an 0-2 start. They prepared for their road game against the Kyler Murray-led Cardinals amid questions about how much longer Patricia would keep his job.

Rick Scuteri / AP

Detroit coach Matt Patricia watches during the first half of Sunday's game at Arizona.

Detroit, though, scored first as it has in each game this season and finished strong for a change.

Matthew Stafford led the Lions to victory for the 35th time in his career when were they tied or behind in the fourth quarter or overtime. Matt Prater's field goal as time expired gave Detroit a 26-23 win.

"It felt really, really good," defensive end Romeo Okwara acknowledged. "It has been way too long since we got a win."

Patricia didn't want to dwell on the result the following day, nor did the embattled coach want to reveal his personal emotions.

"Just happy for the players," he said. "In the locker room, you could just feel the joy."

Painful losses, including 11 after leading in the fourth quarter, have marred much of Patricia's tenure and added up to his 10-24-1 record.

Patricia hopes to prepare the Lions (1-2) well enough this week to beat New Orleans (1-2) at home Sunday and win consecutive games for just the third time in two-plus seasons.

What's working

Adrian Peterson. The 35-year-old gained 27 yards on his first carry and finished with 22 rushes for 75 yards along with a catch for 10 yards.

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White Sox stumble into postseason, to face Athletics today

By JANIE McCAULEY
AP Baseball Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. — Marcus Semien and the Oakland Athletics are finally getting a full playoff series.

After consecutive losses in the wild-card game, the AL West champions hope a longer series boosts their chances for a deep postseason run.

"It's a little different than last year for us and also in '18 where it's just one game and you want to be so perfect and win that game," Semien said. "It's a three-game series, we're at home and play good baseball."

Oakland gets its shot against the Chicago White Sox in the best-of-three wild-card round having advanced just once during 11 previous playoff trips since 2000, when they reached the 2006 AL Championship Series before being swept by Detroit.

Both clubs navigated a challenging 60-game regular season, bolstered often by their top sluggers. The A's finished 36-24, Chicago at 35-25.

Oakland will send 22-year-old lefty Jesús Luzardo out to start Game 1 on Tuesday.

"To be able to do it at a young age is a blessing," said Luzardo, whose season was briefly delayed by a positive test result for the coronavirus despite never having symptoms. "I hope this is just the first of many."

Right-hander Lucas Giolito (4-3), who pitched a no-hitter against the Pirates on Aug. 25, takes the mound for Chicago.

Here are some things to watch for in the best-of-three round at the Coliseum:

Abreu's big bat

Jose Abreu hit 19 homers – second in baseball – and led baseball with 60 RBIs while playing in all 60 games.

Matt Olson led the A's with 14 homers.

"I think a lot of the teams feel they're just getting going," Semien said.

Old sox

Semien and right-hander Chris Bassitt, Oakland's Game 2 starter, both were drafted by the White Sox and came to Oakland in the same December 2014 trade.

The connection might mean a little more if they had played with Chicago recently, but "that was so long ago," Semien said. He has certainly paid attention to the White Sox from afar.

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CORRECTION

Palgen scores TD for Coloma football

Coloma's Cody Palgen caught a 21-yard touchdown pass from Drew Goodline in the second quarter of the Comets' 36-20 loss to Kalamazoo United on Friday.

The score was incorrectly attributed in The Herald-Palladium's Weekend Edition.

SCOREBOARD

BOWLING

STRIKER'S BOWL

EMIL SCHRAMM MEMORIAL (9/15) – Mark Pullins 771 (279), Billy Hendrixson 723, Dave Lange 695, Tony Myers 695, Dennis Weatherman 694 (277), Ken Ward 691, Aaron Collins 684, Dave Matheny 662, Dan Zimmerman 661, Justin Wade 653.

WED. MORNING MIXED (9/16) – Men: Justin Wade 718 (251), Scott Harrison 634, Jeremy Jackson 600. Women: Kim Keith 501 (188), Losha Price 489. Team: We Don't Care 2209 (755).

WED. 6:30 PM MIXED (9/16) – Mark Pullins 669 (257), Nathan Doroh 633, Michael Hendrixson 621, Heather Garrison 543, Amber Fleisher 513, Jill Wilkens 498.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTERS (9/16) – Women: Karyn Fricke 541 (204), Linda Dockham 535 (199), Nancy Pinkerton 442. Men: Ken Conrad 632 (248), Jasen Stoll 597 (215), Wayne Johnson 595 (213), Dan Loikits 562 (234). Team: Gutter Minds 2244 (958), Hi Chargers 2052 (752).

FRIDAY NITE MIXED (9/18) – Joe Sicurello 611 (222), Alex Vance 591 (215), Larry Schlutt 570 (202), Chris Bradfield 560 (213), Dan Zimmerman 565 (206), Rick Lambrecht 553 (254).

WILDLIFE SENIORS (9/21) – Bob Kish Jr. 657, Randy Newboles 603, Bob Conrad 592, Dan Loikits 587, Marc Rankin 586, Ken Klutts 576, Mike Duensing 559, Tom Smith 553, Andy Stansberry Jr. 551, Dan Symonds 550, Losha Price 524.

LAKESHORE LASSIES (9/21) – Nicki Brose 638 (236), Brandy Antonowitsch 553, Tricia Morris 549 (204), Bobbi Smith 543 (233), Jenny Bradford 532, Karyn Fricke 514, Robin Thompson 500. Team: Bradford-Smith 1075, Livingston-Brose (399).

EMIL SCHRAMM MEMORIAL (9/22) – Billy Hendrixson 735 (267), Kevin Beckman 717 (267), Ron Edwards II 682 (256), Ken Klutts 681 (255), Dave Lange 678, Matt Hendrixson 673, Dave Matheny 663, Bob Kish Jr. 658, Tony Meyer 652, Jerry Knowles 652 (256), Neil Vitale 643 (244). Team: B&L Rentals 3379 (1145).

WED. MORNING MIXED (9/23) – Men: Matt Vitale 758 (288), Marc Rankin 675 (246), Dave Daughtry 609, Dan Symonds 609. Women: Sonya Jackson 547 (192), Losha Price 458, Kim Keith 440. Team: 4 of a Kind 2222 (781).

WED. 6:30 PM MIXED (9/23) – Matt Hendrixson 705, Michael Hendrixson 705, Dae Dae Coleman 700 (269), Mark Pullins 675 (279), Michele Briney 562 (203), Heather Garrison 520, Verna Steward 504.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTERS (9/23) – Women: Karyn Fricke 543, Linda Dockham 446, Nancy Pinkerton 421. Men: Wayne Johnson 658 (251), Jasen Stoll 586 (214), Ken Conrad 586 (205), Mike VanderPloeg 547 (222), Ben Brose 545 (239). Team: Gutter Minds 2124 (757), Hi Chargers 2016 (707).

FRIDAY NITE MIXED (9/25) – Thomas LoPresti 624 (225), Zach Schuman 619 (257), Michele Briney 592 (212), Alanna Swetay 552 (194).

WILDLIFE SENIORS (9/28) – Men: Bob Conrad 628 (225), Randy Newboles 626 (231), Paul Koth 587, Mike Duensing 571, Marc Rankin 565. Women: Nancy John 527, Linda Dockham 504, Losha Price 503.

NASCAR

NASCAR Cup Series South Point 400
Sunday's Results
at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, L.V., Nev.
Lap length: 1.50 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (9) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 268 laps, 40 points.
2. (19) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 268, 38.
3. (10) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 268, 53.
4. (11) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 268, 42.
5. (8) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 268, 43.
6. (2) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 268, 39.
7. (15) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 268, 40.
8. (13) Erik Jones, Toyota, 268, 29.
9. (16) Chris Buescher, Ford, 268, 28.
10. (1) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 268, 37.
11. (18) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 268, 26.
12. (6) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 268, 28.
13. (12) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 268, 24.
14. (5) Joey Logano, Ford, 268, 32.
15. (27) Ryan Newman, Ford, 268, 22.
16. (22) Cole Custer, Ford, 268, 21.
17. (4) Aric Almirola, Ford, 268, 20.
18. (20) Matt Kenseth, Chevrolet, 268, 19.
19. (21) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, 268, 18.
20. (25) John H. Nemechek, Ford, 268, 17.
21. (17) Michael McDowell, Ford, 268, 16.
22. (3) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 268, 32.
23. (33) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, 268, 14.
24. (26) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 268, 13.
25. (28) William Byron, Chevrolet, 268, 13.
26. (24) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 267, 11.
27. (31) Corey Lajoie, Ford, 267, 10.
28. (23) Bubba Wallace, Chevrolet, 266, 9.
29. (29) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 265, 8.
30. (35) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, 265, 7.
31. (30) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, 262, 0.
32. (7) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 261, 15.
33. (37) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet, 261, 0.
34. (32) Quin Houff, Chevrolet, 259, 3.
35. (34) Joey Gase, Ford, 256, 0.
36. (38) Josh Bilicki, Ford, suspension, 227, 0.
37. (36) Timmy Hill, Toyota, garage, 160, 0.
38. (14) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, accident, 157, 1.
39. (39) Chad Finchum, Toyota, overheating, 19, 0.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 131.424 mph.
Time of Race: 3 hours, 3 minutes, 32 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.148 seconds.
Caution Flags: 7 for 36 laps.
Lead Changes: 20 among 11 drivers.
Lap Leaders: K.Harvick 0; C.Elliott 1-27; Ky.Busch 28-30; D.Hamlin 31-83; Ky.Busch 84-86; J.Logano 87; D.Hamlin 88-91; C.Elliott 92-118; R.Blaney 119; M.DiBenedetto 120; B.Keselowski 121-122; W.Byron 123-134; C.Buescher 135-144; C.Elliott 145-163; D.Hamlin 164-166; A.Bowman 167-171; D.Hamlin 172-232; M.DiBenedetto 233-234; Ku.Busch 235-237; M.DiBenedetto 238-242; Ku.Busch 243-268
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): D.Hamlin, 4 times for 121 laps; C.Elliott, 3 times for 73 laps; Ku.Busch, 2 times for 29 laps; W.Byron, 1 time for 12 laps; C.Buescher, 1 time for 10 laps; M.DiBenedetto, 3 times for 8 laps; Ky.Busch, 2 times for 6 laps; A.Bowman, 1 time for 5 laps; B.Keselowski, 1 time for 2 laps; R.Blaney, 1 time for 1 lap; J.Logano, 1 time for 1 lap.
Wins: K.Harvick, 9; D.Hamlin, 6; B.Keselowski, 4; J.Logano, 2; C.Elliott, 2; M.Truex, 1; A.Bowman, 1; Ku.Busch, 1; A.Dillon, 1; R.Blaney, 1; C.Custer, 1; W.Byron, 1.
Top 16 in Points: 1. K.Harvick, 3104; 2. D.Hamlin, 3101; 3. B.Keselowski, 3059; 4. M.Truex, 3058; 5. J.Logano, 3054; 6. C.Elliott, 3053; 7. A.Bowman, 3052; 8. Ky.Busch, 3043; 9. Ku.Busch, 3041; 10. C.Bowyer, 3032; 11. A.Almirola, 3025; 12. A.Dillon, 3020; 13. R.Blaney, 2098; 14. M.DiBenedetto, 2092; 15. C.Custer, 2088; 16. W.Byron, 2075.

MLB

Postseason Baseball
(x-if necessary; Note: Times are broadcast air times; game times not available.)

Wild Card Series (Best-of-3)
American League
Tampa Bay vs. Toronto

Tuesday, Sept. 29: Toronto at Tampa Bay (Snell 4-2), 5 p.m. (TBS)
Wednesday, Sept. 30: Toronto at Tampa Bay (Glasnow 5-1), 4 p.m. (TBS)
x-Thursday, Oct. 1: Toronto at Tampa Bay (Morton 2-2)

Oakland vs. Chicago White Sox

Tuesday, Sept. 29: Chicago White Sox (Giolito 4-3) at Oakland (Manaea 4-3), 3 p.m. (ESPN)
Wednesday, Sept. 30: Chicago White Sox (Keuchel 6-2) at Oakland (Bassitt 5-2), 3 p.m. (ESPN)
x-Thursday, Oct. 1: Chicago White Sox at Oakland

Minnesota vs. Houston

Tuesday, Sept. 29: Houston (Greinke 3-3) at Minnesota (Maeda 6-1), 2 p.m. (ABC)
Wednesday, Sept. 30: Houston at Minnesota (Berríos 5-4), 1 p.m. (ESPN2)
x-Thursday, Oct. 1: Houston at Minnesota (Pineda 2-0)

Cleveland vs. New York Yankees

Tuesday, Sept. 29: New York Yankees (Cole 7-3) at Cleveland (Bieber 8-1), 7 p.m. (ESPN)
Wednesday, Sept. 30: New York Yankees (Tanaka 3-3) at Cleveland (Carrasco 3-4), 7 p.m. (ESPN)
x-Thursday, Oct. 1: New York Yankees (Happ 2-2 or Garcia 3-3) at Cleveland (Plesac 4-2)

National League
Los Angeles Dodgers vs. Milwaukee

Wednesday, Sept. 30: Milwaukee at Los Angeles Dodgers (Buehler 1-0), 10 p.m. (ESPN)
Thursday, Oct. 1: Miwaukee at Los Angeles Dodgers
x-Friday, Oct. 2: Milwaukee at Los Angeles Dodgers

Atlanta vs. Cincinnati

Wednesday, Sept. 30: Cincinnati (Bauer 5-4) at Atlanta (Fried 7-0), noon (ESPN)
Thursday, Oct. 1: Cincinnati (4-6) at Atlanta
x-Friday, Oct. 2: Cincinnati at Atlanta

Chicago Cubs vs. Miami

Wednesday, Sept. 30: Miami at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 6-5 or Darvish 8-3), 2 p.m. (ABC)
Thursday, Oct. 1: Miami at Chicago Cubs (Darvish 8-3 or Hendricks 6-5)
x-Friday, Oct. 2: Miami at Chicago Cubs

San Diego vs. St. Louis

Wednesday, Sept. 30: St. Louis at San Diego (Lamet 3-1), 5 p.m. (ESPN2)
Thursday, Oct. 1: St. Louis at San Diego
x-Friday, Oct. 2: St. Louis at San Diego

NBA

Conference Semifinals
Saturday, Sept. 26

L.A. Lakers 117, Denver 110, Lakers win series 4-1

Sunday, Sept. 27

Miami 125, Boston 113, Miami wins series 4-2

NBA Finals (Best-of-7)
Wednesday, Sept. 30

Miami vs. L.A. Lakers, 9 p.m.

Oct. 2

Miami vs. L.A. Lakers, 9 p.m.

Oct. 4

L.A. Lakers vs. Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 6

L.A. Lakers vs. Miami, 9 p.m.

WNBA

Semifinals (Best-of-5)
Sunday, Sept. 27

Las Vegas 84, Connecticut 75, series tied 2-2
Seattle 92, Minnesota 71, Seattle wins series 3-0

Tuesday, Sept. 29

Connecticut vs. Las Vegas, 7 or 9 p.m.

NFL

American Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	3	0	0	1.000	93	77
New England	2	1	0	.667	87	66
Miami	1	2	0	.333	70	65
N.Y. Jets	0	3	0	.000	37	94

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	3	0	0	1.000	80	74
Indianapolis	2	1	0	.667	84	45
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	70	84
Houston	0	3	0	.000	57	95

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	71	22
Pittsburgh	3	0	0	1.000	80	58
Cleveland	2	1	0	.667	75	88
Cincinnati	0	2	1	.000	66	74

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	2	0	0	1.000	57	40
Las Vegas	2	1	0	.667	88	90
L.A. Chargers	1	2	0	.333	52	57
Denver	0	3	0	.000	45	70

National Conference

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	2	0	.333	88	97
Washington	1	2	0	.333	62	81
Phila.	0	2	1	.000	59	87
N.Y. Giants	0	3	0	.000	38	79

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	82	61
Carolina	1	2	0	.333	68	81
New Orleans	1	2	0	.333	88	94
Atlanta	0	3	0	.000	90	108

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	3	0	0	1.000	74	62
Green Bay	3	0	0	1.000	122	85
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	70	92
Minnesota	0	3	0	.000	75	102

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	111	86
Arizona	2	1	0	.667	77	61
L.A. Rams	2	1	0	.667	89	71
San Francisco	2	1	0	.667	87	46

Thursday's Games

Miami 31, Jacksonville 13

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 28, Houston 21
Tennessee 31, Minnesota 30
Cincinnati 23, Phila. 23, OT
Chicago 30, Atlanta 26
Cleveland 34, Washington 20
New England 36, Las Vegas 20
Buffalo 35, L.A. Rams 32
San Francisco 36, N.Y. Giants 9
Indianapolis 36, N.Y. Jets 7
Carolina 21, L.A. Chargers 16
Tampa Bay 28, Denver 10
Detroit 26, Arizona 23
Seattle 38, Dallas 31
Green Bay 37, New Orleans 30

Monday's Games

Kansas City at Baltimore

Thursday, Oct. 1

Denver at N.Y. Jets, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 4

L.A. Chargers at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Washington, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Carolina, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Miami, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Chicago, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at L.A. Rams, 4:05 p.m.
Buffalo at Las Vegas, 4:25 p.m.
New England at Kansas City, 4:25 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 5

Atlanta at Green Bay, 8:15 p.m.

NHL

STANLEY CUP FINAL
(Best-of-7)
(x-if necessary)
Saturday, September 19

Dallas 4, Tampa Bay 1

Monday, September 21

Tampa Bay 3, Dallas 2

Wednesday, September 23

Tampa Bay 5, Dallas 2

Friday, September 25

Tampa Bay 5, Dallas 4, OT

Saturday, September 26

Dallas 3, Tampa Bay 2, 2OT, Tampa Bay leads series 3 – 2

Monday, September 28

Tampa Bay at Dallas

Wednesday, September 30

x-Dallas at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD

GIRLS GOLF

EAST LANSING INV.

Team scores — 1. Okemos 332, 2. (tie) Haslett 352, Montague 352, 4. St. Joseph 366, 5. Grosse Ile 369, 6. East Lansing 371, 7. Lansing Catholic 386, 8. Charlotte 387, 9. (tie) Grand Ledge 418, Holt 418, 11. Mason 449.
St. Joseph – Maya Hunter 86, Gracie Thomas 91, Morgan Guzzo 93, Maddy Cleveland 96, Izzy Ugalde 97, Madison Jackson 100.

BOYS TENNIS

Saturday's results

SMAC TOURNAMENT
AT PORTAGE NORTHERN

Silver bracket

Team standings – 1. St. Joseph, 2. Lakeshore 3. Gull Lake, 4. Kal. Loy Norrix.

Flight championships

Singles – 1. Tyler Coates (Lks) d. Justice Waldman (SJ) 6-2, 6-4; 2. Landon Coates (Lks) d. Grant Banasik (SJ) 6-3, 7-6; 3. Athan Gregory (SJ) d. Tristan Ficks (Lks) 6-3, 6-2; 4. Tyler Romano (SJ) d. Robbie Wessendorf (Lks) 6-1, 6-1.
Doubles – 1. Zachary Collard-Kiley Chrisman (GL) d. Owen Faulkner-Ani Anirudh (SJ) 6-1, 5-7, 6-0; 2. Levi Beam-Harsh Gupta (SJ) d. Josh Pauls-Ethan Mealman (Lks) 5-7, 6-3, 6-3; 3. Nick Clancy-Ilo Coar (SJ) d. Preston Pero-Andrew Turmo (GL) 7-5, 6-2; 4. Kevin Rutz-Prosper Waldman (SJ) d. Ishaan Gupta-Sam Bredweg (Lks) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.

CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday's results

COUGAR-FALCON INVITE

Boys
Cougar Division

Team scores – 1. Portage Central 55, 2. Spring Lake 74, 3. Holland West Ottawa 97, 4. Mattawan 124, 5. Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 133, 6. Muskegon Mona Shores 141, 7. St. Joseph 146, 8. Gull Lake 162, 9. GR Christian 214, 10. Cadillac 246.
Race winner – Koby Fraaza (GL) 15:54.8.
St. Joseph – 20. Michael Melvoin 17:48.9, 24. Jacob Haunhorst 18:03.4, 27. Will Fiesbeck 18:20.4, 30. Andrew Moyer 18:31.6, 45. Luke Lehner 18:58.8.

Falcon Division

1. Hart 66, 2. Saugatuck 67, 3. Holland Christian 79, 4. Berrien Springs 107, 5. Vicksburg 112, 6. GR Catholic Central 155, 7. Reed City 155, 8. Shepard 199, 9. Ludington 222, 10. GR West Catholic 240.
Race winner – Max Sharnas (Saug) 16:06.3.
Berrien Springs – 5. Ashton Sheline 16:47.3, 13. James Burke 17:30.3, 28. Nathaniel Bittner 18:45.0, 30. Sam Markle 18:57.9, 31. Luke Morrison 18:58.3

Girls
Cougar Division

Team scores – 1. Holland West Ottawa 45, 2. Cadillac 69, 3. Portage Central 92, 4. Spring Lake 129, 5. St. Joseph 149, 6. GR Christian 150, 7. Mattawan 181, 8. Muskegon Mona Shores 190, 9. Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 208, 10. Gull Lake 228.
Race winner – Arianne Olson (HWO) 18:14.8.
St. Joseph – 13. Grace Kelley 20:22.7, 14. Cecila Ruchti 20:22.7, 23. Olivia Ippel 21:08.2, 49. Lauren Koch 23:20.3, 50. Madison Werk-Spitzer 23:21.1.

VOLLEYBALL

BC LAKEVIEW D. ST. JOSEPH
25-19, 25-9, 25-23

St. Joseph — Laure Konopacki 3 kills, 6 digs; Kate Gersonde 2 aces, 7 digs; Emily Watson 1 kill, 10 assists, 6 digs; Kiki Sohn 3 kills, 1 ace, 5 digs; Courtney Koch 1 kill, 1 dig; Adriana Pierangeli 1 kill, 1 assist, 1 ace, 1 block; Taylor Valdes 5 kills, 1 assist, 3 aces, 5 digs; Lindsey Piontek 3 kills, 2 aces; Karly Klaer 4 kills, 8 assists, 2 aces, 2 digs; Hailey Robinson 2 digs; Olivia Robinson 1 dig.

HOWARDSVILLE CHRISTIAN D.
EAU CLAIRE 21-25, 25-7, 25-13, 25-20

Eau Claire — Ali Ferry 5 aces, 1 assist, 1 kill, 4 digs; Kayla Ferry 3 aces, 1 assist, 5 digs; Lizzy Little 5 aces, 2 kills, 6 digs; Julia Kurland 1 ace, 2 assists, 3 digs; Emilee Demski 4 aces, 1 assist, 6 kills, 6 digs, 1 block; Kriscia Whitfield 2 kills, 1 dig.

NEW BUFFALO D. BRANDYWINE 18-25, 25-15, 25-19, 14-25, 15-12.

New Buffalo — Kelsey Corkran 7 aces, 7 kills, 42 assists; Ava Mullen 11 kills, 3 blocks, 15 digs; Sophia DeOliveira 6 aces, 17 kills, 12 digs; Emma Lantz 7 kills, 3 aces; Allie Smith 8 kills, 4 blocks.
Records – New Buffalo 8-0.

THREE RIVERS D. DOWAGIAC
25-21, 24-26, 25-17, 25-23

Dowagiac – Riley Stack 1 assist, 8 kills, 2 aces, 3 digs; Caleigh Wimberly 10 kills, 5 aces, 16 digs; Alivia Murray 2 digs; Megan Davis 8 kills, 16 digs; Emma Allen 2 kills, 1 ace, 6 digs; Allie Conner 1 ace, 18 digs; Anna Dobberstein 1 dig; Jessie Hulett 25 assists, 1 kill, 1 ace, 12 digs; Abbey Dobberstein 1 kill; Alanah Smith 4 kills, 1 dig.
Records – Dowagiac 5-6.

Saturday's results

BRIDGMAN TRI

Match scores — New Buffalo d. Bridgman 25-22, 25-12, 14-25, 20-25, 15-8; New Buffalo d. Sturgis 25-22, 25-16, 27-29, 25-21; Sturgis d. Bridgman 25-8. 25-21, 25-10.
Bridgman – Peyton Oman 19 kills, 1 assist, 36 digs; Haylee Kanous 1 ace, 2 kills, 36 assists, 24 digs; Takiya Cornelius 19 kills, 1 assist, 5 blocks, 7 digs; Bella Gearheardt 2 aces, 3 kills, 1 assist, 17 digs; Ava Ward 1 dig; Javin Graves 1 ace, 1 block, 4 digs; Autumn Brown 1 ace, 52 digs; Ellie Stein 1 dig; Bre Russell 2 aces, 17 digs; Kelcy Keller 2 digs; Lily Barker 1 kill, 2 blocks.
New Buffalo – Ava Mullen 6 aces, 35 kills, 4 blocks, 36 digs; Kelsey Corkran 10 aces, 8 kills, 63 assists, 3 blocks, 18 digs; Sophia DeOliveira 5 aces, 33 kills, 44 digs; Emma Lantz 4 aces, 5 kills, 12 digs, 3 blocks.
Records – Bridgman 4-6.

BUCHANAN QUAD

Match scores — Buchanan d. Decatur 25-19, 25-6; Kal. Christian d. Buchanan 25-16, 25-15; Buchanan d. Michigan Lutheran 25-19, 25-12; Kal. Christian d. Michigan Lutheran 25-19, 25-12; Decatur d. Michigan Lutheran 23-25, 26-24, 15-11.
Buchanan – Josie West 15 kills, 15 digs, 6 aces; Faith Carson 15 kills, 12 blocks, 6 aces; Katie Schau 12 kills, 23 digs; Hailey Jonatzke 15 digs; Kylie Boller 4 blocks; Claire Shelton 57 assists.
Michigan Lutheran – Hailey Conrad 7 kills, 14 digs, 13 assists, 2 aces; Sophee Garcia 3 kills, 24 digs, 14 assists, 2 aces; Brooke Gerlach 10 kills, 11 digs; Abigail Marquis 7 kills, 4 digs; Jenna Koehler 42 digs; Natalie Ritter 10 kills, 5 digs; Jules Koehler 14 digs; Reese Maas 17 digs; Kennedy Stillson 8 digs; Kaylee Schebel 3 kills, 5 blocks; Andrea Hisle 3 digs.
Records – Buchanan 8-2, Michigan Lutheran 3-4.

NILES QUAD

Match scores — Schoolcraft d. Niles 25-22, 25-17, 25-20; Niles d. Lakeshore 25-20, 18-25, 25-14, 25-14; Portage Northern d. Niles 20-25, 25-23, 30-28, 25-21.
Niles – Jillian Bruckner 7 aces, 20 kills, 7 blocks, 9 digs; Laura Golubski 3 aces, 11 kills, 4 blocks, 36 digs; Emma Beckman 3 aces, 10 kills, 21 digs, 61 assists; Amelia Florkowski 3 aces, 25 digs; Bailey Bickel 1 ace, 17 digs; Amara Palmer 26 kills, 7 blocks, 9 digs; Marika Ruppart 22 kills, 11 blocks; Lexi Krueger 6 kills; Brynn Lake 2 kills, 8 digs; Cadence Knight 48 digs, 8 assists; Anna Johnson 8 digs, 11 assists.
Records – Niles 6-7.

DOWAGIAC QUAD

Match scores — Dowagiac d. Cassopolis 25-21, 25-16; Dowagiac d. Kal. Hackett 25-11, 25-16; Dowagiac d. Centreville 25-21, 25-22; Centreville d. Dowagiac 25-21, 22-25, 26-24.
Dowagiac – Riley Stack 2 assists, 19 kills, 12 aces, 11 digs, 2 blocks; Caleigh Wimberly 2 assists, 23 kills, 10 aces, 38 digs, 2 blocks; Alivia Murray 5 digs; Megan Davis 27 kills, 3 aces, 29 digs, 1 block; Emma Allen 2 kills, 1 ace, 4 digs, 1 block; Allie Conner 2 assists, 1 kill, 2 aces, 59 digs; Anna Dobberstein 2 assists, 2 aces, 5 digs; Halie Saylor 1 dig; Sarah Allen 1 assist, 2 kills; Jessie Hulett 67 assists, 4 kills, 8 aces, 36 digs, 1 block; Abbey Dobberstein 7 kills, 1 ace, 4 digs, 5 blocks; Alanah Smith 10 kills, 3 digs, 3 blocks.

BOYS SOCCER

HARTFORD 8, CASSOPOLIS 2

Goals — Danny Gutierrez, Alexis Rivas, Sebastian Gonzalez 2, Kevin Parra 3, Aaron Robles.
Assists – Gutierrez 2, Alan Gonzalez, Neto Rodarte.
Saves – Jesus Rivas (H) 6.

KAL. HACKETT 5, COLOMA 0

Shots — Hackett 23, Coloma 3.
Saves – Wes Seabury (C) 18.
Halftime – Hackett 4-0.

HOWARDSVILLE CHRISTIAN 5, MICHIGAN LUTHERAN 1

Goals — Howardsville: Wesley Franzel 4, Dylan Muldoon. Lutheran: Alex Ritter.
Assists – Lutheran: Joel Roth.
Saves – Adam Rosenbaum (ML) 5, Josiah Rose (HC) 8.
Saturday's results

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN 6, BUCHANAN 2

Goals — Lutheran: Christian Kisukulu 4, Alex Ritter, Joel Roth. Buchanan: Logan Grwinski, Irving Cruz.
Assists – Lutheran: Roth 2, Ritter 2.
Saves – Adam Rosenbaum (ML) 7, Jensen Ruelle (B) 8.
Shots – Lutheran 24, Buchanan 9.

Serena, Nadal win French Open openers

By HOWARD FENDRICH and JEROME PUGMIRE
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PARIS — No matter how much success they've had over the years, and to this day, Serena Williams and Rafael Nadal both profess to deal with doubts.

Both began this French Open with straight-set victories against overmatched foes in Court Philippe Chatrier on Monday.

And both have something significant at stake over the coming two weeks: a chance to equal a record for Grand Slam singles titles. Williams already has 23, the most by anyone in the professional era; one more will allow her to tie Margaret Court's all-era mark.

Nadal began his attempt to pull even with rival Roger Federer for the most by a man, 20, by beating Egor Gerasimov of Belarus 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.

His 2020 debut at a place he's won 12 trophies did not change Nadal's view of things at this pandemic-postponed event: It's colder than usual, the balls are heavier than usual, he's had less preparation than usual.

"The conditions are completely different," he said, "than any other Roland Garros that we played."

Still, Gerasimov would have been forgiven for choosing the same metaphor to describe Nadal that Williams' opponent came up with: "a runaway train."

After she played OK in the opening set, then was terrific in the second, of a 7-6 (2), 6-0 win over 102nd-ranked American Kristie Ahn, Williams – so used to being questioned about Court – was asked on this day about Nadal and Federer.

"I don't get involved in the 'greatest' talk. You know, the greatest for me is, and will always be, Jesus, so I'm going to leave it at that," Williams began.

And then she didn't leave it at that.

"Rafa, I'm obviously a huge fan of his. I always have been. But it's like you can't compare two people that are equally great. Roger, I mean, he's Roger Federer. I think that says enough," Williams continued. "So, you know, it's like I don't understand why people want to pit, 'Who's this? Who's that?' They both have spectacular careers that 99 percent of people can only dream of and ... every single credit and every single thing that they get, they absolutely deserve it. I'm a big fan of both, to be honest."

And rightly so. Novak Djokovic's name belongs in the conversation, too, of course.

He'll be aiming for his 18th major championship at this French Open, which he finally gets underway Tuesday with his first Grand Slam match since being disqualified at the U.S. Open.

It was in New York less than a month ago that Ahn faced Williams in the first round – and lost.

So imagine this (bad) luck of the draw: Ahn is now the only player to face Williams in the first round at two consecutive Grand Slam tournaments. Of note: Williams is 75-1 in openers at majors.

"I mean, I laughed," Ahn said. "I mean, what are the odds?"

Yet she was up to the task for most of a 72-minute, 102-point initial set Monday, twice leading it by a break.

And then?

What changed for Williams?

"I just need to play with more confidence," she explained, "like I'm Serena."

Well, yes, she was more herself for the latter half of the contest, which by the end really wasn't much of a contest.

And this is how Ahn described the sensation of being across the net from that version of Williams, the one where she is at her very best.

"It feels like you're trying to push a runaway train in the opposite direction," Ahn said. "It's very difficult to try and stop, to stop her momentum when she's going, when she's feeling it."

The man Nadal beat in the last two finals, Dominic Thiem, won his first match since winning the U.S. Open, advancing to the second round with a 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 victory over 2014 U.S. Open champion Marin Cilic. This, too, was a recent rematch from New York.

Thiem will next face American qualifier Jack Sock, who beat Reilly Opelka 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 and was one of seven men from the U.S. to get to the second round, the country's highest total since nine got that far in 1996; only one did a year ago in Paris.

Another American moving on was Tennys Sandgren, who saved two match points and knocked off No. 29 seed Hubert Hurkacz of Poland 7-5, 2-6, 4-6, 7-6 (1), 11-9.

Three more American men play their opening matches Tuesday.

While Sandgren finally got his first win in four attempts in Paris, No. 4 seed Daniil Medvedev could not do the same, falling to 0-4 with a 6-4, 7-6 (3), 2-6, 6-1 loss to Marton Fucsovics. Medvedev was the runner-up to Nadal at the U.S. Open last year, and reached the semifinals there this month, but the Russian is not the same player on clay that he is on hard courts.

Among the other key results on Day 2 of a chilly, pandemic-postponed French Open were losses by 2019 runner-up Marketa Vondrousova, who was beaten 6-1, 6-2 by Polish teenager Iga Swiatek; three-time Grand Slam champion Angelique Kerber; 2017 U.S. Open finalist and 2018 French Open semifinalist Madison Keys; and men's seeds No. 8 Gael Monfils, No. 14 Fabio Fognini and No. 19 Felix Auger-Aliassime.

Williams now gets another rematch, facing Tsvetana Pironkova, the player the 39-year-old American beat in the quarterfinals in New York earlier this month.

Williams keeps coming close to Court: Williams has made it to the final at four of her past eight major tournaments, losing each time. At the U.S. Open, after edging Pironkova, she exited in the semifinals against Victoria Azarenka, slowed a bit down the stretch after hurting her left Achilles tendon.

SOX

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"They're going for it this year," Semien said. "I know a lot of those guys over there, primarily the same coaching staff besides the manager. It's going to be a battle. It's nice to be at home. I think we played them well at home in the past. Even though there's no crowd I just feel like it's a tough place for an opponent to come into."

Luzardo's chance

Luzardo (3-2) has the opportunity to help Oakland get over a big hurdle: advancing. The A's want to show the baseball world they have the talent to go further – much further.

Sean Manaea returned last September to go 4-0 and earn the wild-card start over Mike Fiers before faltering. Liam Hendriks lost it the previous year at Yankee Stadium.

Luzardo struck out four in three innings of relief in the 5-1 loss to Tampa Bay in last year's AL wild-card game.

"I think getting my feet wet in postseason baseball last year really will help me a lot throughout this year and moving forward in my career," he said. "I'm glad that they trusted me and gave me the confidence to go out there and throw three innings last year."

Chapman missed

The A's are missing a key part of their infield without Gold Glove third baseman Matt Chapman, sidelined by a season-ending hip injury that required surgery. He hit 10 homers and drove in 25 runs.

Midseason additions Tommy La Stella and Jake Lamb have filled key voids.

LIONS

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What needs help

Red zone offense. The Lions have scored six touchdowns in 13 drives in the red zone.

"We settled for field goals in the red zone too often," tight end Jesse James said. "We got to find a way to get it in."

Stock up

James suddenly became part of the passing game, making three catches for 28 yards and a touchdown against Arizona. James did not have a reception in the first two games this year and averaged one catch per game in 2019 in a scoreless first season with the team.

James didn't want to celebrate his relatively big day, but was happy about the desperately needed result for the team.

"To get that win was huge for us," he said. "We definitely needed it."

Stock down

Detroit signed Halapoulivaati Vaitai to a $45 million, five-year contract to start at right tackle. After missing the first two games with a foot injury, Vaitai started at right guard against the Cardinals. He struggled in pass protection, including late in the game when he was called for holding to negate a long pass to the Arizona 1.

Next steps

Rookie Jeff Okudah has to get in better shape – quickly. The cornerback, drafted No. 3 overall, appeared to leave the game at Arizona at least twice because he was winded.

"He just has to settle down and keep working on his conditioning to get back out there and be out there when needed," Patricia said.

Injured

Veteran cornerback Desmond Trufant, who signed a $20 million, two-year deal in the offseason, missed his second straight game with a hamstring injury

Key number

3 – Detroit's defense intercepted Murray three times after the unit didn't have one takeaway during the first two weeks of the season.

PRIME TIME TV

TUESDAY EVENING SEP. 29

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	Trump vs Biden: The Main Event		The First Presidential Debate -- Your Voice Your Vote 2020: An ABC News Special (N)			
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	Love Island (N) CC		CBS News: The First Presidential Debate Donald Trump and Joe Biden debate. (N)			
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	Weakest Link (Series (P)) (N) CC		2020 Presidential Debate 1: NBC News Special (N) (L) CC			
FOX 17 222 28 32	Modern Family	Cosmos: Possible Worlds		Democracy 2020: First Presidential Debate (N) (L) CC			News 10:00PM
PBS 34	Steves' Europe	American Experience "The Vote"		PBS NewsHour Debates 2020 "Presidential Debate" The 2020 presidential debate. (N)			
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Tell Me a Story ((F)) (N) CC		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Dateline "Mystery in South Beach" (N)		Chicago P.D. "Fork in the Road"		Chicago P.D. "The Thing About Heroes"	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Tell Me a Story ((F)) (N) CC		King of Queens	King of Queens
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland CC (DVS)		Highway to Heaven CC		Nightly News	
WGN 9	News	black-ish	black-ish CC	WGN News: First Presidential Debate (N) (L) CC			News at Nine
A&E	Magnificent	📽 ★★★ Apollo 13 ('95) Tom Hanks, Bill Paxton, Kevin Bacon. Based on the true story of the ill-fated 1970 moon mission. CC					
AMC	5:30 📽 Con Air	📽 ★★★ Gladiator ('00) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix. A fugitive general becomes a gladiator in ancient Rome. CC					
Animal	Ice Cold	Bering Sea Gold		Bering Sea Gold		Bering Sea Gold	
BET	6:00 📽 ★★ School Daze			Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too?			
Big Ten	:00 College Soccer CC			College Soccer CC			
Bravo	Below Deck	Below Deck Mediterranean CC		Below Deck Mediterranean (N) CC		Watch What	Below Deck
Cartoon	Victor	Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American
Cinemax	Hitchhiker's	📽 ★★★ Widows ('18, Suspense) Viola Davis, Colin Farrell. CC				:10 📽 ★★★ Shanghai Knights	
CMT	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank		Shark Tank CC		Shark Tank	
CNN	:00 Debate Night in America (N)			First Presidential Debate (N) (L) CC			
Comedy	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Tosh.0	Tosh.0
Discovery	Homestead	Homestead Rescue "Home Sweet Homestead: New Traditions" (N) CC				Homestead Rescue (N) CC	
Disney	Raven	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven	Raven	Raven
DIY	Off Grid	Building Off the Grid		Mountaintop		Building Off the Grid	
E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley
ESPN	:00 MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (N)					Baseball Tonight (N)	
ESPN2	WNBA Basketball: Sun vs Aces			WNBA Basketball: Lynx vs Storm			
ESPNC	6:00 MLB Baseball			Classic-Boxing		Boxing	
Food	Chopped	Chopped CC		Chopped (N) CC		Chopped CC	
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	Tennis			Glory Kickboxing (N)			
Freefrm	6:30 📽 ★★★ Despicable Me ('10)		📽 ★★★ Despicable Me 2 ('13) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. CC				Kal Penn-Mes-
FX	Kingsman-Gold	📽 ★★★ The Martian ('15, Science Fiction) Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain. A stranded astronaut tries to survive on Mars. CC					
Golf	Nick	Golf's Greatest Rounds CC					
Hallmark	Perfect Catch	📽 Falling for Look Lodge ('20) Clark Backo, Jonathan Keltz, Chris Violette. CC				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
HBO	:00 The Third Day	📽 ★★★ Just Mercy ('19, Drama) Michael B. Jordan, Jamie Foxx, Brie Larson. CC					:20 The Vow
History	America's Book of Secrets			America's Book of Secrets: Special Edition			
HGTV	Windy	Windy City Rehab		Windy City Rehab (N) CC			Kit. Crash
Learning	People	People		Little People, World		Sextuplets	
Lifetime	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles "Remember Me" CC		Rizzoli & Isles "Can I Get a Witness?"		:03 Rizzoli & Isles CC	
MSNBC	ReidOut	Debate Pre-Show		Presidential Debate on MSNBC (N) CC			
MTV	Bring It	Teen Mom 2 (N)		Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Inside	Premier League Soccer Teams TBA.				World Boxing	
NFL	NFL Total	NFL 360 (N) CC		NFL Football Teams TBA. CC			
Nick	Loud	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Life Be	Life Below Zero "Into the Night" (N) CC				Life Below Zero (N)	
Oxygen	:00 Chicago P.D.	Chicago P.D. "Pain Killer" CC (DVS)		Chicago P.D. "This City" CC (DVS)		Chicago P.D. "What Could Have Been"	
Parmt	:00 📽 ★★★ Catch Me if You Can ('02) CC					Catch Me if You Can	
Showtime	★ Countdown	Ray Donovan Mickey has a new plan.		Inside the NFL (N) CC		Desus & Mero	Desus & Mero
Starz	:07 📽 ★★ Bloodshot ('20) Vin Diesel, Guy Pearce. CC			Power Book II: Ghost "The Prince" CC		:01 Vida CC	★★ First Knight
STZENC	:36 📽 ★★ Robin Hood ('10) Russell Crowe. Robin and his men battle the Sheriff of Nottingham. CC					📽 ★★★ Spider-Man ('02) CC	
SyFy	★★ Constantine	📽 ★★ Transporter 3 ('08, Action) Jason Statham, Natalya Rudakova. CC				:15 📽 ★★ Taken 2 ('12) Liam Neeson.	
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory
TCM	Mrs. Miniver ('42)	Women Make Film (N) CC		:15 📽 ★★★ Middle of Nowhere ('12) Emayatzy Corinealdi, David Oyelowo. CC			
TMC	House-Clock	📽 ★★★ Our Idiot Brother ('11, Comedy) Paul Rudd. CC			📽 ★★ The Switch ('10) Jennifer Aniston. CC		
TNT	Book of	📽 ★★ The Equalizer ('14) Denzel Washington.					2 Guns
Travel	Dead	The Dead Files "Battle for Control" (N)				The Dead Files (N)	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
VH1	★★ Madea's Family Reunion			📽 ★★ Meet the Browns ('08) CC			
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC	

Many reach out to offer help to grieving widower

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to the grieving widower "In Need of Someone" (June 22) was spot on. I met my husband when I was 14. We married at 18, and he died when he was 44. After his death, I had no idea how to be a person because I had always been a partner.

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

In the early years, I cried every day and was searching, like "In Need," to fill that empty spot in my life. Then one day, I started figuring out what to do about the other holes in my life.

I had not been the breadwinner, so my income was poverty-level. I had no college and not a lot of work experience. I knew if I was going to be able to keep my house and put my kids in college, I had to work on these other holes. In the process of school, working three jobs and keeping up with life, I realized I had never thought about what was important to ME.

Over the years I have seen several close friends lose partners and go through exactly what "In Need" and I have experienced. Your advice is so true. Volunteer. Get a part-time job doing something you like or a job that will just give you someone to talk to.

Go to a support group, go to a church, but do not get into a serious relationship, because if you do, you will go from one dependent situation to another. Every person I know who went right into another relationship later regretted it. The new person is not your lost partner, never will be and will never measure up. Go into a relationship only if you are willing to let the past go and are willing to change YOU.

Be open to another opinion and a new lifestyle. You might like doing something you never thought you would see yourself doing before. You are not going to know unless you try. Do not look for a Band-Aid to fix the emptiness. Look for a seed to plant and nurture, and be prepared to be amazed at the beauty that will be opened up to you. – Shelly In Illinois

DEAR SHELLY: Thank you for sharing the important life lessons you have learned. Other caring readers also responded to encourage "In Need" as he moves forward:

DEAR ABBY: I lost my husband after 30 years together. I'm still working on getting "from hollow to whole," as "In Need" wrote. Your advice that he should "figure out the boundary between where you left off and your wife began" is an important insight. I've never heard this from a grief counselor, but it's exactly what I've been trying to do for the past three months. You can't live with someone else if you can't live with yourself.

I'm working on becoming whole again, and it's happening slowly. "In Need" should do the same. It may take longer, but it works better. – Tammy In Oregon

DEAR ABBY: "In Need" should get some hobbies. If I met a nice person and was considering pursuing a relationship and I found out he had no hobbies, no outside interests or friends beyond his late spouse, I would be gone. Among my friends, I don't know a single one who would want a relationship with someone whose life was totally wrapped up in his spouse and "needed" a replacement. – Nancy In New Mexico

DEAR ABBY: After my wife died, I joined Widowed Information and Consultation Services in my home state. It was a wonderful way to be with others who had lost their mates, and it helped me realize I wasn't the only one going through this.

Also, I decided to say "yes" to any invitations from friends to join them for dinner or a social gathering. Being around others helped to stave off the loneliness. In addition, I decided to travel by myself to Europe for a month, joining a group tour. I eventually found a wonderful lady, also a widow, and we have been married 15 years. – Robert In Washington

DEAR ABBY: "In Need" should consider adopting a pet, a dog or cat, that will love him unconditionally. Because of my pets, I am never alone, always loved and have creatures who depend on me. It might make the days ahead easier for that widower. I wish him the best. – Michael In The Midwest

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Was dumping the ex a life-altering mistake?

Adapted from an online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: Two years ago, I left my fiance, who I'd been with for four years.

Carolyn Hax

I was 27, had developed strong feelings for someone else, and was scared I was doing the wrong thing. He was and remains to this day the best person I've ever met, and I'm not sure why I couldn't love him all the way.

We didn't have the strongest sexual chemistry, but couldn't I have managed that? He was loving and supportive and my best friend.

I recently asked him if he'd consider dating again, and he said he's moved on and is happier now.

Is this a sign that breaking up was actually the right thing to do? Or did I make a huge, life-altering mistake?

I'm scared, single, uncertain of the future and sad. – Scared

DEAR SCARED: When you're "scared, single, uncertain of the future and sad," that's usually when any nice, comfortable things you had in the past acquire an almost unbearably rosy glow, and you kick yourself for giving them up.

But fear is an idiot. It makes rash and expedient choices for us that we come to regret when we start feeling secure again and the sense of danger passes.

This guy no doubt is a really good person, and was your best friend. But, you didn't all-the-way love him. The reasons for that aren't important – it only matters that you didn't.

So, use that to justify closing the door on all related what-ifs, and focus instead on your fears, sadness and uncertainties.

What isn't working for you? How long have you felt this way (and would therapy help)? What changes are you in a position to make, starting with the smallest?

If you have to ask yourself whether you could have managed the meh sexual chemistry, by the way, then assume the answer is no.

REGARDING SCARED: I once broke up with a Best Friend for reasons that sound similar to what you describe. Even though I knew it was right at the time, years later I would still ask, "Did I make a huge mistake?"

I compared everyone I dated to the Best Friend and none of them ever seemed as good. I wondered if I was limiting myself?

I eventually did meet the love of my life and I realized Best Friend's role had been to set the bar very high. I never wasted my time with anyone who didn't reach those standards.

My now-husband passed well above those standards! And Best Friend and his wife are now our Very Good Friends. – Took a While, but Moved On

DEAR TOOK A WHILE: Love the idea of the ex as a bar others needed to clear.

REGARDING SCARED: "[Fear] makes rash and expedient choices for us that we come to regret": Tell that to my ex who called off our wedding because of anxiety.

I was never so attractive as I was walking out the door. – Ex

DEAR EX: Ugh. I'm sorry.

Regardless, you weren't the right people for each other – whether the anxiety caused the mismatch or the mismatch caused the anxiety.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Rhea's kin
4 Painless
8 Irk
12 Make into leather
13 Salad veggie
14 Garfield's housemate
15 Well-known pharaoh
16 "Star Wars" general
17 Joker or ace
18 Bird or beast
20 "Go team!"
22 Tien Shan range
23 Reputation
26 Decree
30 Word of disgust
32 Mr. Sharif
35 Dispose of
36 Lump of jelly, say
37 Fuzzy green fruit
38 Web site
39 As well as
40 Full-house letters
41 Not present
43 Vivacity
45 Gasps of delight
48 Play it by —
50 Verdict givers
52 Abrades
55 Thick carpet
57 "Annabel Lee" poet
58 Pulpit
59 Bounty rival
60 Wordplay
61 Yellow jacket
62 Bog fuel
63 Primeval

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1 Singer James
2 — Loa
3 Before
4 Cream-filled pastry
5 "The Mammoth Hunters" author
6 Take to the slopes
7 Age unit
8 High-grade coffee
9 Spud st.
10 Fragrant tree
11 Revenuer
19 Aboriginal New Zealander
21 — Arbor
24 Ponder
25 Teamwork obstacles
27 Beat badly
28 Televises
29 Slothful
31 Cable network
32 Rubber-stamps
33 Deep mud
34 MP's prey
36 Gainesville fan
41 Literary compilation
42 Nutty confection
44 Fable author
46 Zoo heavyweight
47 Asian capital
49 Party-thrower's plea
50 Coffee or island
51 Mail out
52 Like crudites
53 Ms. Thurman
54 Gun pellets
56 Step on it

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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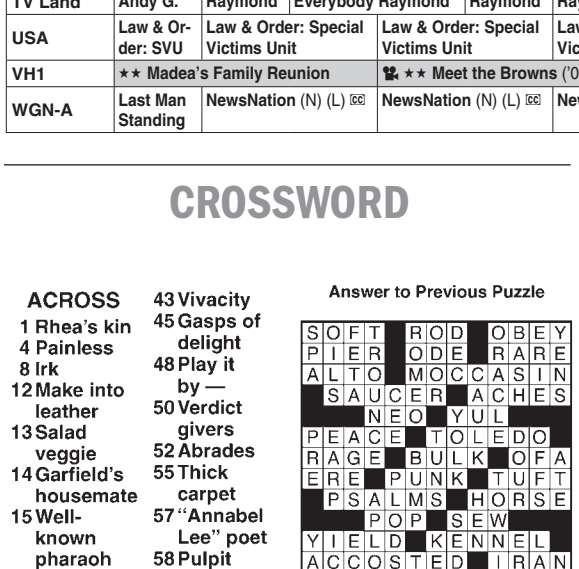

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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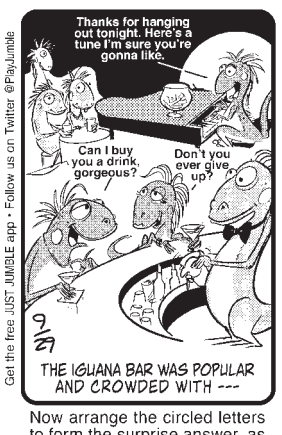
Thanks for hanging out tonight. Here's a tune I'm sure you're gonna like.
Can I buy you a drink, gorgeous?
Don't you ever give up?
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THE IGUANA BAR WAS POPULAR AND CROWDED WITH ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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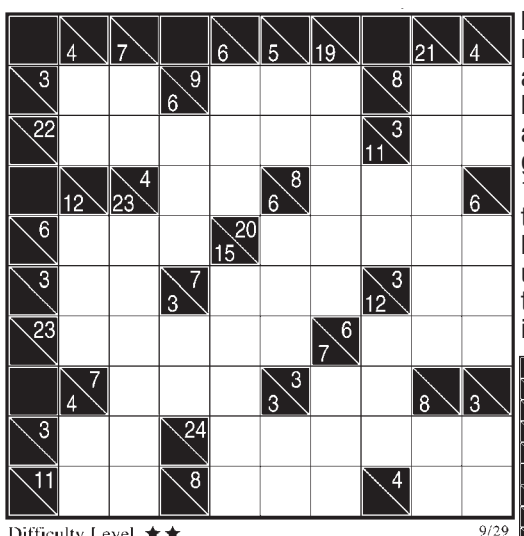
(Answers tomorrow)

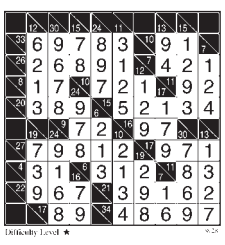
Yesterday's Jumbles: BUNCH ARENA CANVAS ODDEST
Answer: When the larger fruit seller set up next door, the smaller fruit seller didn't — STAND A CHANCE

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★ 9/29

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



BRIDGE

Victor Kiam, who was an entrepreneur and, for three years, the owner of the New England Patriots, said, "What's really important in life? Sitting on a beach? Looking at television eight hours a day? I think we have to appreciate that we're alive for only a limited period of time, and we'll spend most of our lives working. That being the case, I believe one of the most important priorities is to do whatever we do as well as we can. We should take pride in that."

Hear, hear! Also, one word in that comment is key to this deal. How should South play in seven spades after West leads the heart king?

Few would want to reach seven spades. In this auction, two diamonds was New Minor Forcing. Then South used two doses of Blackwood.

There are 12 top tricks: six spades, one heart, three diamonds, one club and a diamond ruff in the dummy. Declarer must establish dummy's club seven (on which South's heart loser will be discarded). However, that requires four dummy entries: three for club ruffs and one to reach the new winner. As the heart lead has dislodged that ace, there are only four candidates: the diamond ace and all three trumps, including the eight. This means finding West with exactly nine-doubleton of spades.

North 09-29-20
♠ A 8 3
♥ A 4 3
♦ A 2
♣ 7 6 4 3 2

West
♠ 9 2
♥ K Q J 9
♦ 10 8 7 5
♣ J 9 8

East
♠ 7 6
♥ 10 8 7 5
♦ J 9 6
♣ K Q 10 5

South
♠ K Q J 10 5 4
♥ 6 2
♦ K Q 4 3
♣ A

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
		1♣	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♣	Pass
5NT	Pass	6♣	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

The play goes thus: heart ace, club to the ace, spade to the eight, club ruff, spade to the ace, club ruff, diamond to the ace, club ruff, diamond king, diamond ruff in the dummy, club seven and claim.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

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BEETLE BAILEY

I CAN'T GO ON THE HIKE TODAY. I HAVE A HEADACHE, MY FEET HURT, IT'S TOO HOT, IT'S TOO COLD. I'M TOO TIRED, I HAVE BLISTERS, CORNS, BONE SPURS...
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GREG+MORT WALKER
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, BEETLE?
THROWING EXCUSES AT YOU, HOPING ONE WILL STICK
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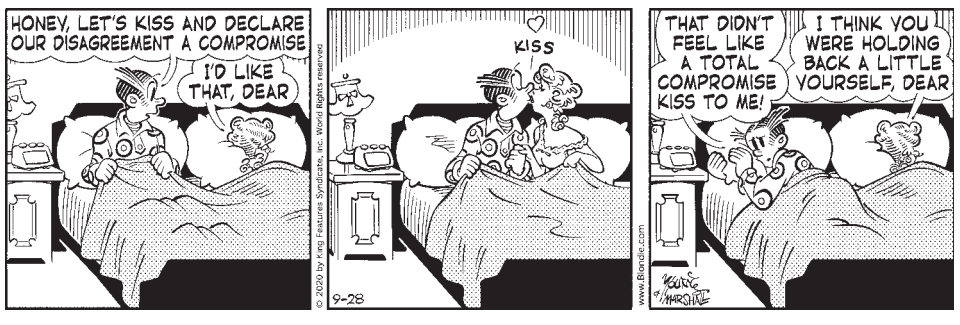
HONEY, LET'S KISS AND DECLARE OUR DISAGREEMENT A COMPROMISE
I'D LIKE THAT, DEAR
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KISS
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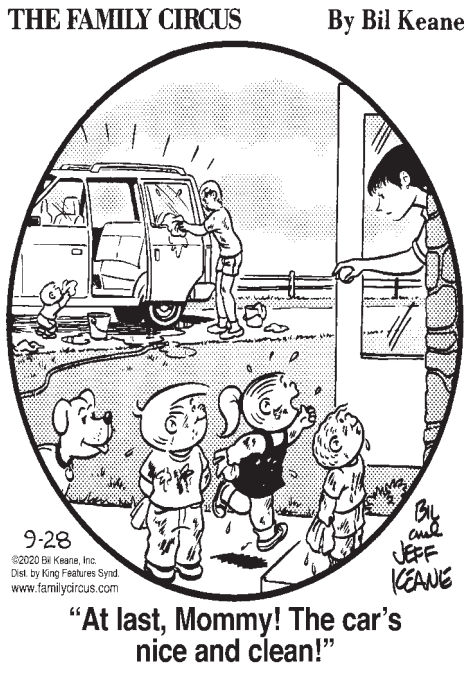
THAT DIDN'T FEEL LIKE A TOTAL COMPROMISE KISS TO ME!
I THINK YOU WERE HOLDING BACK A LITTLE YOURSELF, DEAR

FAMILY CIRCUS



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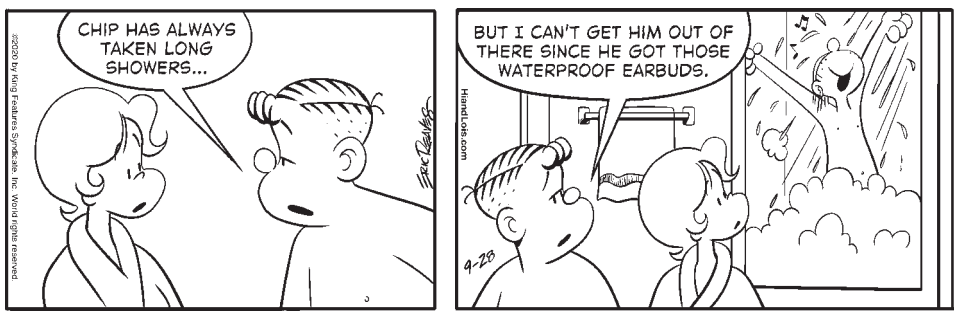
CHIP HAS ALWAYS TAKEN LONG SHOWERS...
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BUT I CAN'T GET HIM OUT OF THERE SINCE HE GOT THOSE WATERPROOF EARBUDS.
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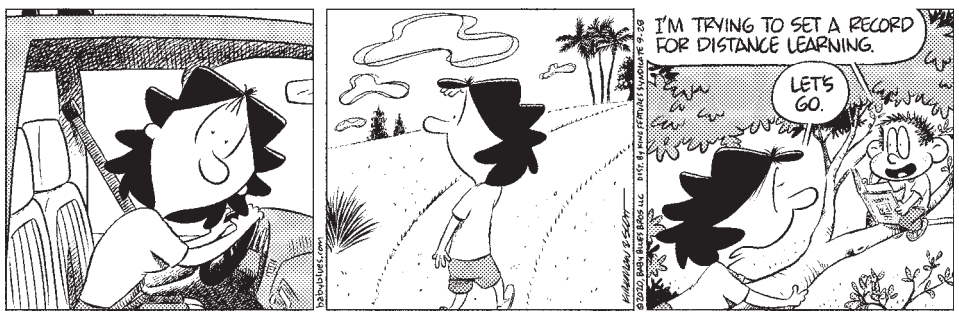
BABY BLUES



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WOW! WHAT DO YOU CALL THAT?
A COUNTERWEIGHT TREBUCHET.
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IMAGINE THE IMPLICATIONS OF A WEAPON LIKE THIS! IT WILL CHANGE THE WAY WE BATTLE, GIVING US AN INCREDIBLE OVERALL ADVANTAGE!
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I KINDA JUST LIKE LAUNCHING WATERMELONS.
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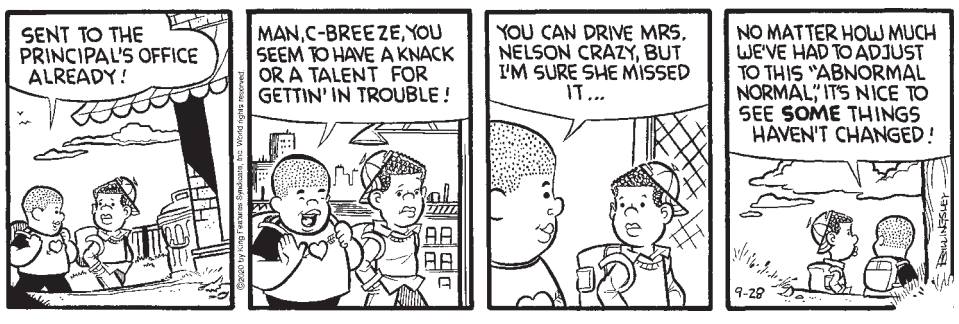
CURTIS


SENT TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE ALREADY!
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MAN, C-BREEZE, YOU SEEM TO HAVE A KNACK OR A TALENT FOR GETTIN' IN TROUBLE!
YOU CAN DRIVE MRS. NELSON CRAZY, BUT I'M SURE SHE MISSED IT...
NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE'VE HAD TO ADJUST TO THIS "ABNORMAL NORMAL," IT'S NICE TO SEE SOME THINGS HAVEN'T CHANGED!
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WIZARD OF ID

OKAY, I ADMIT... THIS ISN'T WHAT I THOUGHT YOU MEANT WHEN YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING OUT TO 'SOAK UP SOME SUN'
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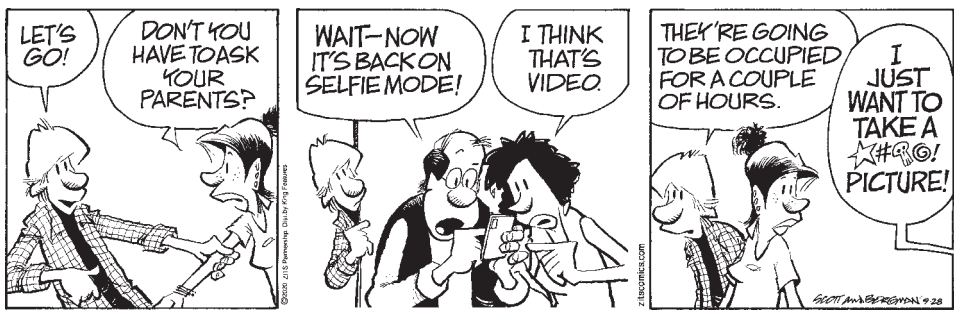
LET'S GO!
DON'T YOU HAVE TO ASK YOUR PARENTS?
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WAIT—NOW IT'S BACK ON SELFIE MODE!
I THINK THAT'S VIDEO.
THEY'RE GOING TO BE OCCUPIED FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS.
I JUST WANT TO TAKE A ☆#@©! PICTURE!
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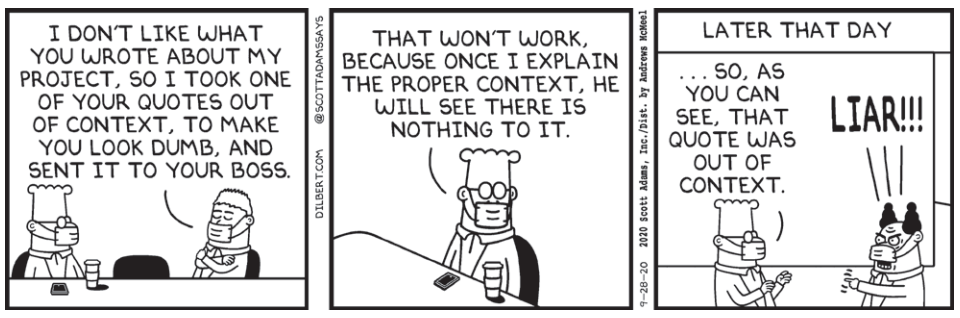
DILBERT


I DON'T LIKE WHAT YOU WROTE ABOUT MY PROJECT, SO I TOOK ONE OF YOUR QUOTES OUT OF CONTEXT, TO MAKE YOU LOOK DUMB, AND SENT IT TO YOUR BOSS.
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THAT WON'T WORK, BECAUSE ONCE I EXPLAIN THE PROPER CONTEXT, HE WILL SEE THERE IS NOTHING TO IT.
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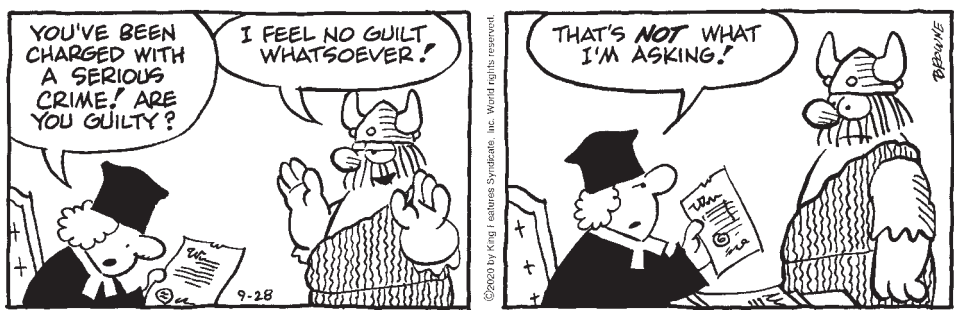
LATER THAT DAY
. . . SO, AS YOU CAN SEE, THAT QUOTE WAS OUT OF CONTEXT.
LIAR!!!

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE


YOU'VE BEEN CHARGED WITH A SERIOUS CRIME! ARE YOU GUILTY?
I FEEL NO GUILT WHATSOEVER!
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THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M ASKING!
BROOME

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READY TO TRAIN?
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LET'S START WITH SOME SUSTAINED BREATHING EXERCISES
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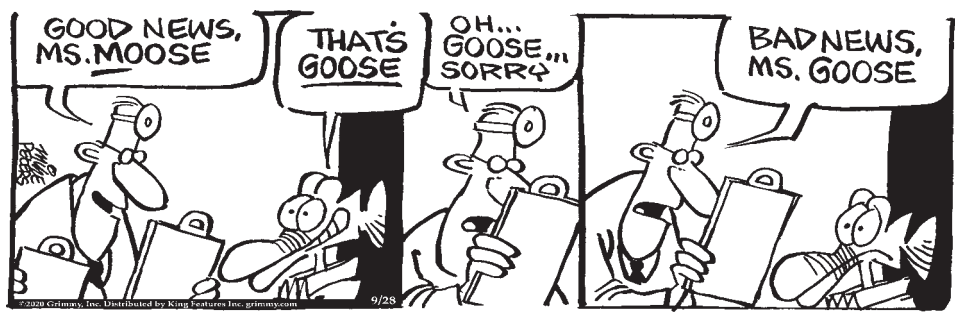
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



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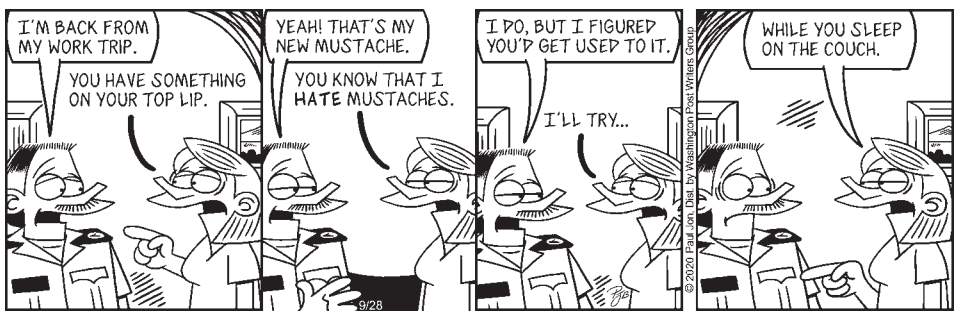
I'M BACK FROM MY WORK TRIP.
YOU HAVE SOMETHING ON YOUR TOP LIP.
YEAH! THAT'S MY NEW MUSTACHE.
YOU KNOW THAT I HATE MUSTACHES.
I DO, BUT I FIGURED YOU'D GET USED TO IT.
I'LL TRY...
WHILE YOU SLEEP ON THE COUCH.
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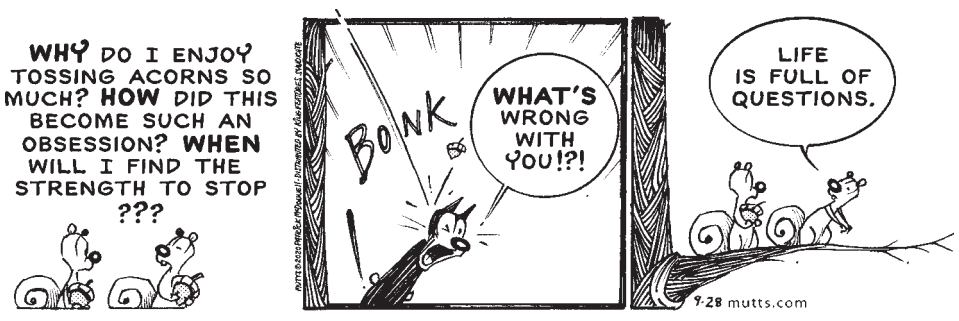
WHY DO I ENJOY TOSSING ACORNS SO MUCH? HOW DID THIS BECOME SUCH AN OBSESSION? WHEN WILL I FIND THE STRENGTH TO STOP ???
BONK
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU!?!
LIFE IS FULL OF QUESTIONS.
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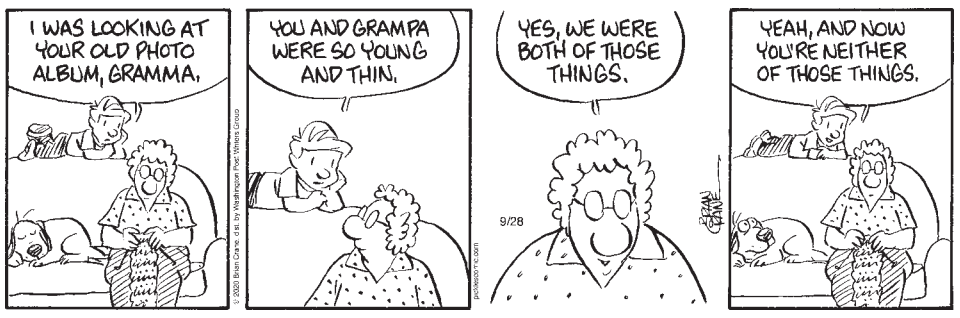
I WAS LOOKING AT YOUR OLD PHOTO ALBUM, GRAMMA.
YOU AND GRAMPA WERE SO YOUNG AND THIN.
YES, WE WERE BOTH OF THOSE THINGS.
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YEAH, AND NOW YOU'RE NEITHER OF THOSE THINGS.
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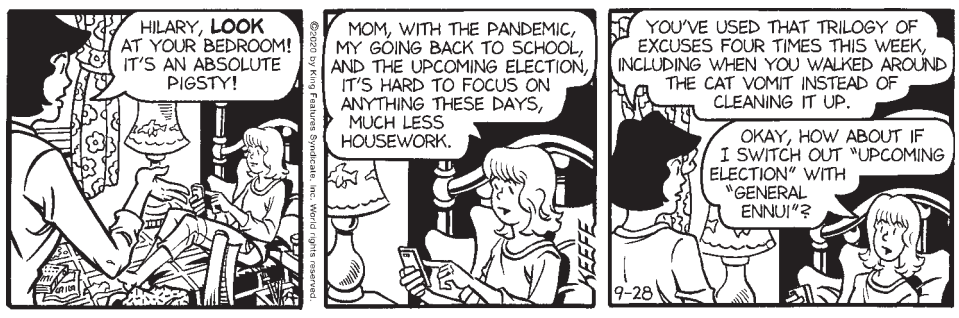
SALLY FORTH


HILARY, LOOK AT YOUR BEDROOM! IT'S AN ABSOLUTE PIGSTY!
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MOM, WITH THE PANDEMIC, MY GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, AND THE UPCOMING ELECTION, IT'S HARD TO FOCUS ON ANYTHING THESE DAYS, MUCH LESS HOUSEWORK.
YOU'VE USED THAT TRILOGY OF EXCUSES FOUR TIMES THIS WEEK, INCLUDING WHEN YOU WALKED AROUND THE CAT VOMIT INSTEAD OF CLEANING IT UP.
OKAY, HOW ABOUT IF I SWITCH OUT "UPCOMING ELECTION" WITH "GENERAL ENNUI"?
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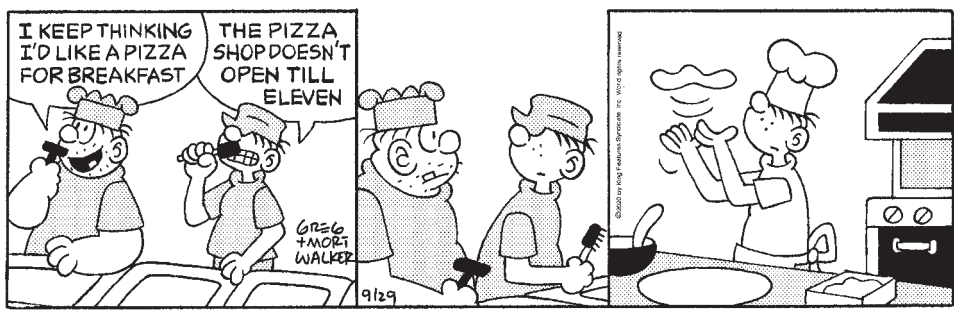

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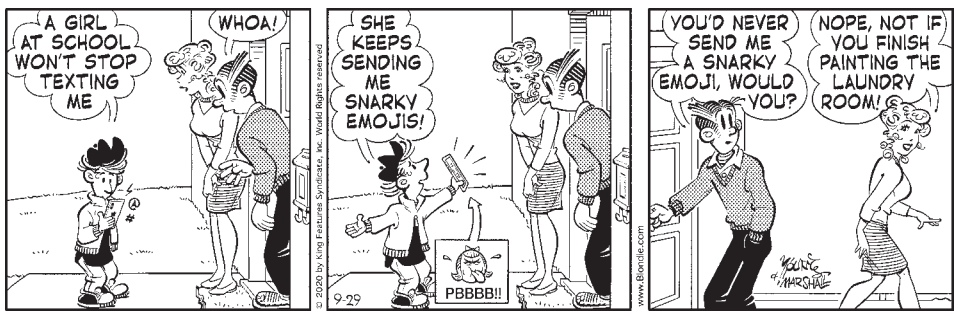
A GIRL AT SCHOOL WON'T STOP TEXTING ME
WHOA!
SHE KEEPS SENDING ME SNARKY EMOJIS!
PBBBB!!
YOU'D NEVER SEND ME A SNARKY EMOJI, WOULD YOU?
NOPE, NOT IF YOU FINISH PAINTING THE LAUNDRY ROOM!
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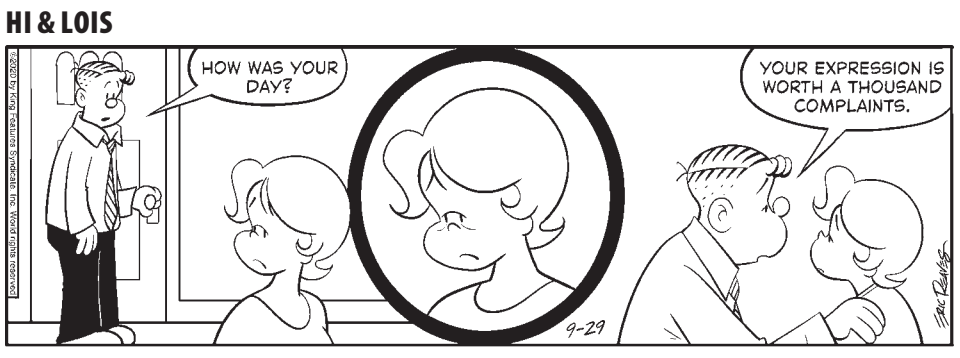
HI & LOIS


HOW WAS YOUR DAY?
YOUR EXPRESSION IS WORTH A THOUSAND COMPLAINTS.
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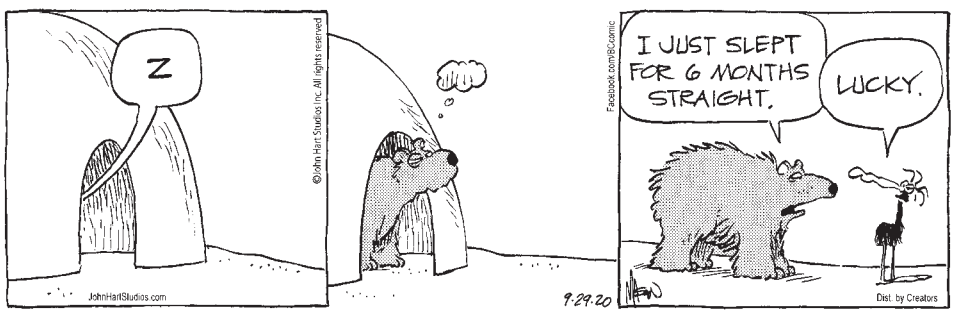

WIZARD OF ID

SO, YOU'RE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET, BUT YOU'RE MAKING GREAT PROGRESS
DOCTOR
KEEP A POSITIVE MENTAL ATTITUDE. REMEMBER, LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE
BWAH HA HA HA HA HA!
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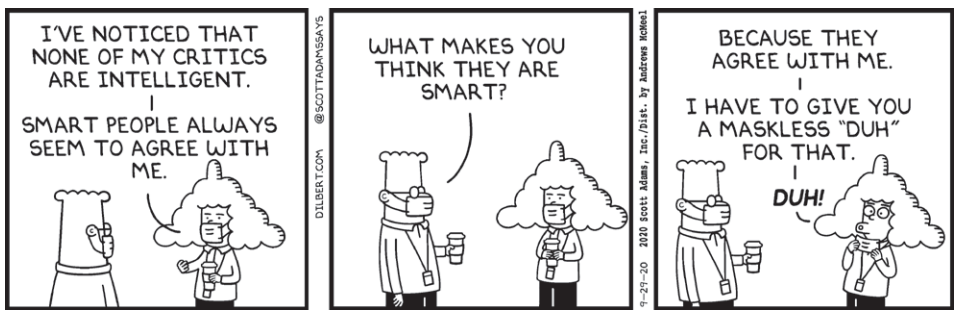
I'VE NOTICED THAT NONE OF MY CRITICS ARE INTELLIGENT.
SMART PEOPLE ALWAYS SEEM TO AGREE WITH ME.
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THEY ARE SMART?
BECAUSE THEY AGREE WITH ME.
I HAVE TO GIVE YOU A MASKLESS "DUH" FOR THAT.
DUH!
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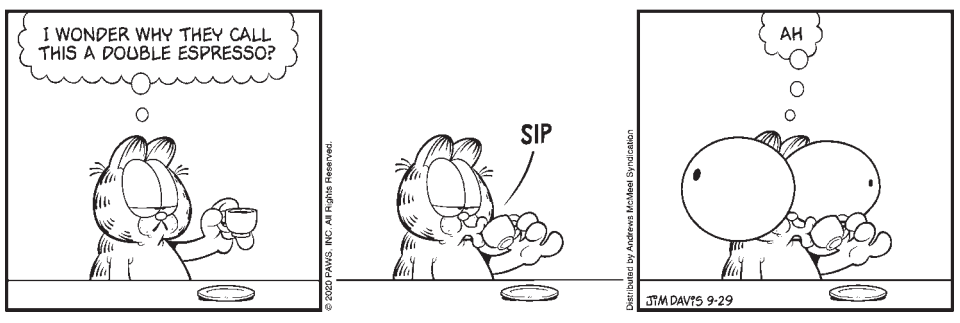
I WONDER WHY THEY CALL THIS A DOUBLE ESPRESSO?
SIP
AH
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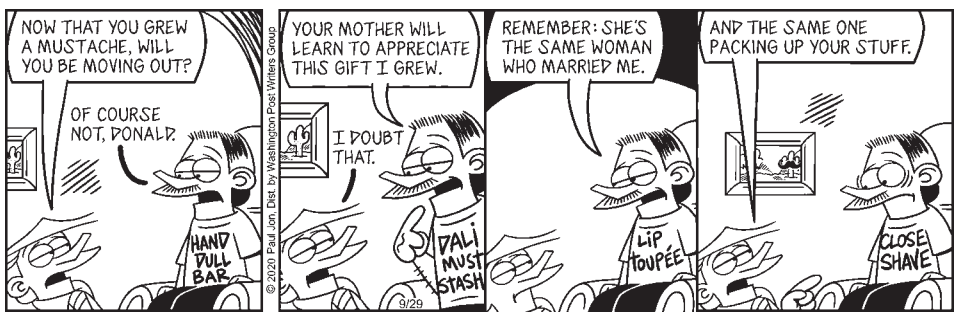
NOW THAT YOU GREW A MUSTACHE, WILL YOU BE MOVING OUT?
OF COURSE NOT, DONALD.
HAND DULL BAR
YOUR MOTHER WILL LEARN TO APPRECIATE THIS GIFT I GREW.
I DOUBT THAT.
DALI MUST STASH
REMEMBER: SHE'S THE SAME WOMAN WHO MARRIED ME.
LIP TOUPÉE
AND THE SAME ONE PACKING UP YOUR STUFF.
CLOSE SHAVE
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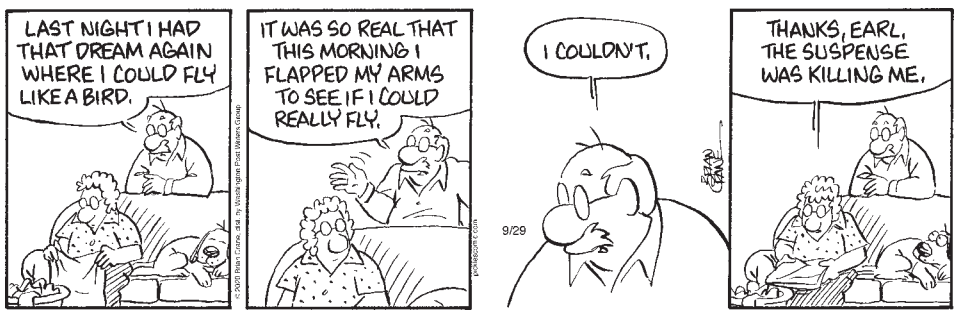
LAST NIGHT I HAD THAT DREAM AGAIN WHERE I COULD FLY LIKE A BIRD.
IT WAS SO REAL THAT THIS MORNING I FLAPPED MY ARMS TO SEE IF I COULD REALLY FLY.
I COULDN'T.
THANKS, EARL. THE SUSPENSE WAS KILLING ME.
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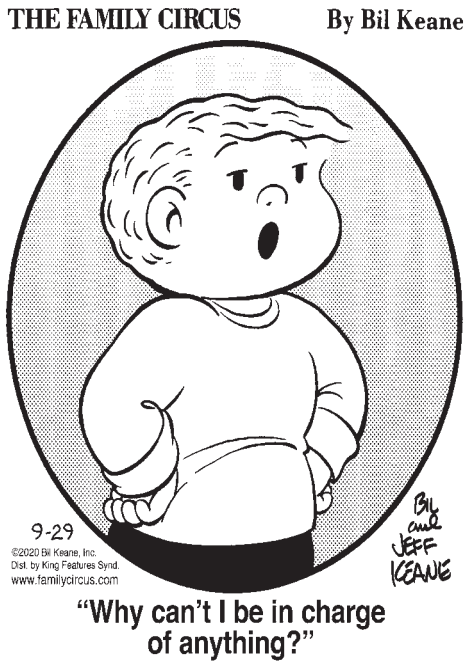

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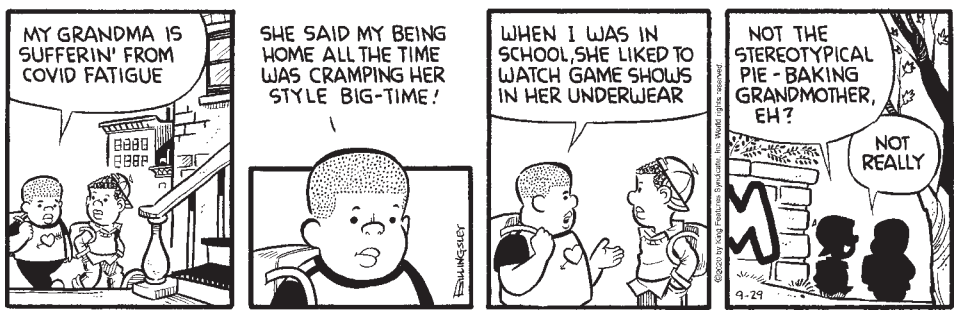
MY GRANDMA IS SUFFERIN' FROM COVID FATIGUE
SHE SAID MY BEING HOME ALL THE TIME WAS CRAMPING HER STYLE BIG-TIME!
WHEN I WAS IN SCHOOL, SHE LIKED TO WATCH GAME SHOWS IN HER UNDERWEAR
NOT THE STEREOTYPICAL PIE-BAKING GRANDMOTHER, EH?
NOT REALLY
BUNKY
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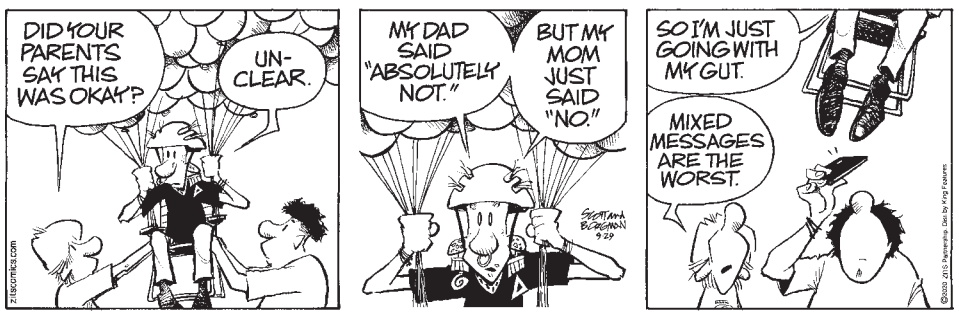
DID YOUR PARENTS SAY THIS WAS OKAY?
UN-CLEAR.
MY DAD SAID "ABSOLUTELY NOT."
BUT MY MOM JUST SAID "NO."
SO I'M JUST GOING WITH MY GUT.
MIXED MESSAGES ARE THE WORST.
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

DEAR COUSIN, CAN YOU SPOT ME A FEW GOLD PIECES?
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I'M SORRY, BUT YOU'RE ASKING AT A BAD TIME!
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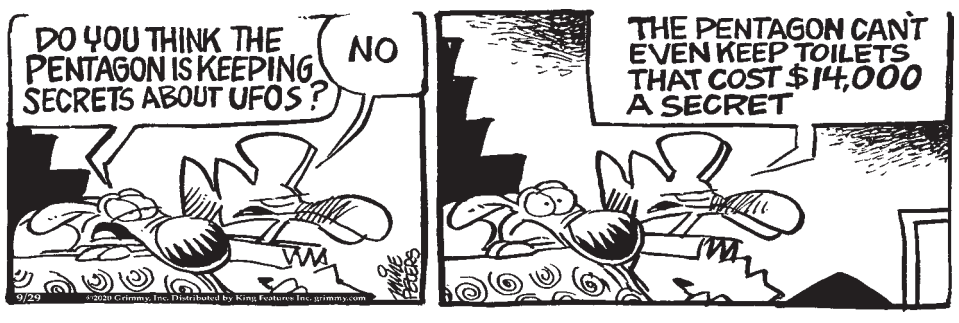
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM


DO YOU THINK THE PENTAGON IS KEEPING SECRETS ABOUT UFOS?
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THE PENTAGON CAN'T EVEN KEEP TOILETS THAT COST $14,000 A SECRET
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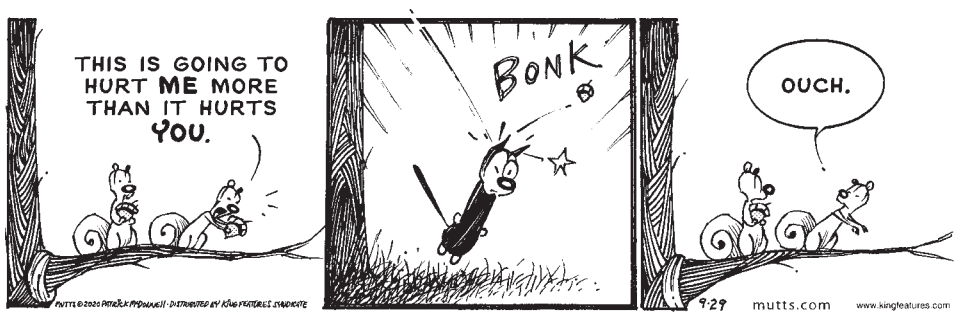

SALLY FORTH

HIL, CLEANING UP YOUR BEDROOM DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SOME IMPOSSIBLE TASK. IT CAN BE FUN!
WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE I'D LAY OUT EVERYTHING IN MY BEDROOM ON THE FLOOR, THEN GROUP THEM INTO THEMATIC SETS, THEN PLACE THOSE SETS INTO BOXES, THEN USE A MARKER AND INDEX CARDS TO LABEL EACH BOX AND...AND...
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AND YOU'RE WONDERING WHAT MY SOCIAL LIFE WAS LIKE AS A TEENAGER, AREN'T YOU?
NOT ANYMORE, NO.
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Coloma Charter Township

The Coloma Charter Township Board of Trustees will hold a public virtual hearing, via Zoom, on the proposed Parks and Recreation Grant Application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at 7:00PM at the Township Hall, 4919 Paw Paw Lake Road, Coloma, MI 49038. The proposed project will take place at Washington Park and consist of building permanent bathrooms between fields 1, 2, and 3, resurfacing the multi-purpose track and constructing a multi-use field for pickleball. The draft application will be available for public inspection at the Township Hall during regular office hours. All persons will have the opportunity to be heard, via Zoom, at the virtual hearing.

Sandra Kraemer, Clerk

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IN MEMORIAM

Ms. Henry
Mae McClendon,
You're Forever
In My Heart
For all you were
to me in life
And all the joy you
brought,
Your memory
is with me
In every single
thought.
The pain I felt at
losing you
Will never go away,
But knowing that
You're in my heart
Helps me through
each day.
When you were
here I always felt
That nothing could
go wrong,
But you're still my
inspiration
And your memory
keeps me strong.
And though my
heart is heavy
It's also full of love,
And that's enough
to comfort me
While you're in
Heaven above.
I Miss You
I cried when you
passed away,
I still cry today.
Although I loved you
dearly, I couldn't
make you stay.
Your golden heart
stopped beating,
hard working hands
at rest, GOD
broke my heart
to prove to me
he only takes the
best.
From, your
daughter Ann

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GENERAL HELP

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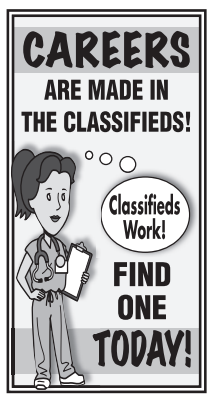

HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Pay attention to expiration dates, personal documents and money matters. Prepare to take on an unexpected change. Leave nothing to chance. A disconnect with someone you've known a long time will encourage you to take control and do things your way. Romance and a lifestyle change are favored.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't argue over something you cannot change. If you consider every angle, you will recognize how to outmaneuver someone who is trying to take advantage of you. Romance is on the rise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Bring about changes that make you happy. Let go of situations that are holding you back or making you miserable. Create a plan to help you attain personal growth and inner peace.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Think twice before you share personal information. Someone will be searching for a way to make you look bad. An emotional situation will escalate if you act on an assumption or get involved in gossip.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's OK to do things differently. Use your skills and knowledge to boost your income. A domestic change will push you to make adjustments that will bring you peace of mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Evaluate your lifestyle, relationships and fitness routines. Putting romance back in your life will bring you closer to a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Use your imagination, strive to be unique and don't be afraid to share your thoughts and insights. A change will improve how you handle money, health and contractual matters.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Take pride in what you do. You will be judged by what you complete and what you leave unfinished. Put a plan in place that will ensure you take care of business. Romance is favored.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A change of mind will turn out well. Follow your gut feeling when dealing with work-related situations. Refuse to put your health at risk. Stand up for your rights and set a good example.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Align yourself with like-minded people. There is safety and strength in numbers. If you want to bring about change, you must fight for what you want. Don't let a smooth-talking outsider take advantage of you or your loved ones.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Use your creative skills to get ahead. A partnership will change the way you view life. Don't settle for less when a slight adjustment can make your experience better.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Keep a close watch over your possessions, finances and domestic situation. Aim to please, but not at the expense of your health or position. Anger will not help you get your way, but preparation and organization will. Romance is encouraged.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Different directions will entice you. Listen to what others say to get a sense of what will work in your favor. Plan carefully and think systematically.

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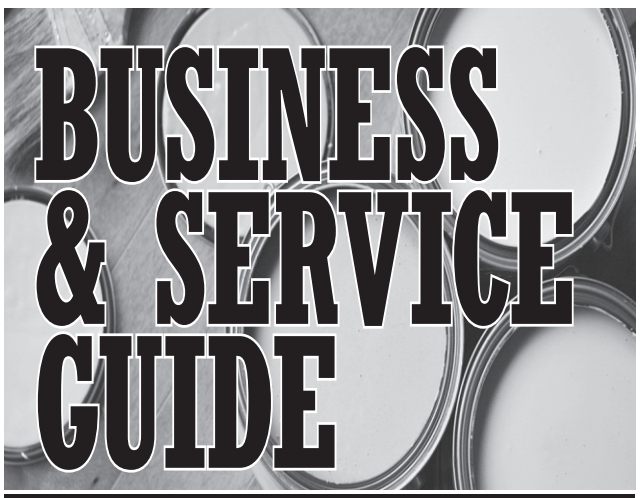

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